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Leading the Law School

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FROM the Dean

2007 CONSTITUTED an eventful year for everyone associated with the Wake Forest University School of Law. The previous edition of the *Jurist* noted the retirement of Dean Robert K. Walsh, whose tenure ushered in a remarkable period for the law school. I now have the enviable privilege of succeeding Dean Walsh and adding to his legacy an exciting new chapter of advancements for Wake Forest. I am gratified by the overwhelming spirit of optimism and energy emanating from every constituency of the institution, and look forward to extending the law school's tradition of excellence.

The law school has a bright future, demonstrated most notably by an innovative strategic plan adopted by the faculty this year. This remarkable plan first highlights the law school's exemplary attributes, which include an outstanding faculty of teacher/scholars, a student-centered program of legal education that is intellectually rigorous and humanistically satisfying, a student body that excels on every measure of quality and actively adopts the institution's mission of Pro Humanitate and professionalism, a staff that serves selflessly to ensure the law school's efficiency and effectiveness, and a dedicated and accomplished alumni body whose unique sense of loyalty enriches the school's mission. The strategic plan then marries these attributes with bold initiatives and a dynamic new vision. Proposed building modifications that enhance the communal atmosphere of the law school, increased resources for faculty and student development, and academic synergies with other disciplines set the stage for innovative programs. Most notable among these programs is an enriched curriculum that not only

capitalizes on a liberal arts education that has already become a hallmark of Wake Forest, but also expands the learning process with additional clinical offerings and externships that expose students to the contextual dynamic of law. You will find details about the strategic plan in a subsequent article in this edition of the *Jurist*. My overview provides a glimpse of a strategy that promises to solidify Wake Forest's position as a leader in legal education.

As you read the exciting news contained in this recently redesigned *Jurist*, I am sure you will perceive the vitality and excitement that inspires me and many others at the Wake Forest University School of Law. I am proud and gratified to have joined this unique community—one that values law as both a time-honored discipline and tool for social good. I also look forward to working with all of the law school's constituencies to realize our strategic plan and continue a tradition of excellence that defines the Wake Forest experience. ☞

—DEAN BLAKE D. MORANT



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LAW SCHOOL ANNOUNCES DNA INNOCENCE PROJECT

THE LAW SCHOOL IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE the launching of a DNA Innocence Project to assist the Forsyth County Bar Association in identifying prisoners who might benefit from DNA testing to prove their innocence. The law school manages the project under the auspices of the North Carolina Center on Actual Innocence.

Volunteer law students have already begun to work with defense attorneys, prosecutors, and law enforcement officers to identify cases that qualify for DNA testing. District Attorney Tom Keith has agreed to request such testing for cases that the volunteer students and attorneys

recommend to him. This arrangement—combining the efforts of law students, prosecutors, defense attorneys, and law enforcement officers—makes this Wake Forest DNA Innocence Project unique. After completing this special project to address the backlog of DNA testing requests from Forsyth County, the



Darryl Hunt (c) with students (l-r) Brandy Mills (1L), Neubia Williams (1L), Naomi Adams (3L) at kick-off of the DNA Innocence Project.

Wake Forest Innocence Project will continue to investigate potential claims of actual innocence, based on any type of reliable evidence.

The law school held a kick-off celebration for this initiative in October and invited as special guests Darryl Hunt and his attorney, Mark Rabil. Mr. Hunt, a local man who was wrongly imprisoned for 18 years for a crime that he did not commit, and Mr. Rabil worked together tirelessly during that time to eventually prove Hunt's innocence. Hunt and Rabil delivered inspirational remarks to the audience emphasizing the need and importance of innocence projects such as the one beginning at the law school. The audience was also treated to a showing of the award-winning HBO documentary, "The Trials of Darryl Hunt," a moving piece that chronicles the struggle to prove Mr. Hunt's innocence.

Appellate Advocacy Clinic Lands a Victory

WAKE FOREST LAW STUDENT MEGHAN POIRIER spent much of her final spring semester in law school reviewing court records, writing briefs, and arguing in support of her Appellate Advocacy Clinic client, John Mooney. Mr. Mooney had pled guilty to the charge of "being a felon in possession of a firearm" and was given a fifteen-year prison sentence, the mandatory minimum under the applicable federal statute. Mooney had filed a pro se petition for habeas corpus in the United States District Court for the Southern District of West Virginia, contending that his lawyer provided him with ineffective assistance of counsel by advising him to plead guilty and not investigating whether there was a possible defense to the charge. When the District Court denied his petition, he filed a notice of appeal to the United States Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, based in Richmond, Virginia. It was at that point that his legal path led him to Wake Forest's Appellate Advocacy Clinic.

The Fourth Circuit appointed Professor John Korzen to represent Mooney as part of the Wake Forest Appellate Advocacy Clinic, a clinic that handles appeals of various types for indigent clients. A Fourth Circuit Local Rule allows third-year law students to appear before the Court. Professor George Walker started the clinic in the 1970s, when it was one of the very first appellate clinics in the country, and Professor Korzen began leading the clinic in 2005. During the 2006-07 school year, five third-year clinic students worked on three different appeals.

Mooney's case fell into the capable hands of Ms. Poirier.

Poirier began to review Mooney's case in January 2007. The record showed that Mooney's trial lawyer advised him to plead guilty, believing that there was no legal defense to the charge against him. Based on the facts that Mooney related to his lawyer, however, case law supported a defense of "justification" to the charge. Mooney told his lawyer that he only possessed the handgun after he disarmed his ex-wife, who had threatened him with it, and walked with the gun for seven blocks to turn it over to the police. Mooney contended that his lawyer should have



known about the justification defense, and that he would not have pled guilty at trial if he had received better advice from his lawyer.

Poirier drafted two briefs asking the Court to hold that Mooney's trial lawyer provided ineffective counsel and to allow Mooney to withdraw his guilty plea and defend the charge at trial. She also made several practice arguments before Wake Forest faculty and students. On May 23, just two days after her law school graduation in May 2007, Poirier argued before the Fourth Circuit in Richmond. She and her clinic colleagues celebrated the Clinic's victory when the Fourth Circuit ruled in favor of Mooney in a published decision handed down on August 6.

In late November, Poirier received further good news resulting from her efforts. Mooney's case was remanded to District Court, where he withdrew his guilty plea, and the case was set to be heard in December. Just before Thanksgiving, however, the government agreed to drop the charge, and Mooney was

released from prison. Mooney's trial counsel rejoiced: "We promised him we'd do everything we could to get him home by Christmas. Today we got to tell him he'd be home for Thanksgiving." Thanks to Poirier and the Clinic, justice was served. Not a bad start for Meghan Poirier, a recent grad who is beginning her career as a Judge Advocate General in the US Army!

"Conversation With" Series Features Lawyer Who Followed His Heart to Lead Nonprofit Organization

THOMAS TIGHE, A NATIONAL LEADER in humanitarian relief efforts, visited the law school in October as our guest in the "Conversation With" series. The "Conversation With" programs are designed to bring role model legal professionals to the law school to speak informally with students in an interview-style setting about their careers in the law.

Tighe is currently the President and CEO of Direct Relief International, a nonprofit humanitarian medical organization. Direct Relief has furnished more than \$640 million in privately

funded humanitarian medical aid worldwide since Tighe's arrival. It has been named one of America's Best 100 Charities by *Worth* magazine and rated by *Forbes* magazine as one of only eight U.S. charities that is 100% efficient.

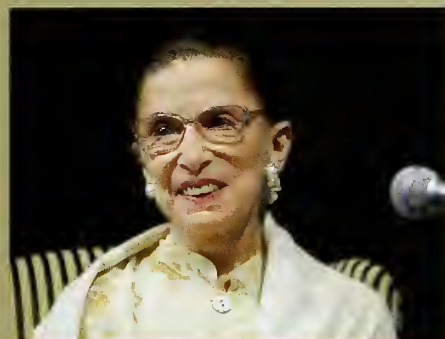
From 1995-2000, Tighe served as Chief of Staff and Chief Operating Officer of the Peace Corps, overseeing day-to-day operations of the agency's worldwide programs and a resurgent growth of the agency to



Justice Ginsburg to Teach in Law School Summer Abroad Program in Venice

THE LAW SCHOOL IS HONORED to announce that Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and her husband, Georgetown University Professor of Law Martin Ginsburg, will be teaching in the law school's 2008 Venice Summer Abroad Program. Justice Ginsburg will team teach a course on Comparative Constitutional and Family Law with Professor Suzanne Reynolds, while Professor Martin Ginsburg will teach Comparative Tax Systems with Professor Joel Newman. In addition to their teaching

duties, the Ginsburgs are looking forward to several planned social events where they will interact more informally with program participants. The Venice program will run from July 7 until July 31.



a 27-year high. From 1993-95, he served as Associate General Counsel of the Peace Corps, negotiating bilateral agreements to initiate Peace Corps programs in South Africa and China. Earlier in his career, he served as Associate Counsel on the U.S. Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Shane Emmett, a third-year student and member of the "Conversation With" Committee, interviewed Tighe about his nontraditional career path and his current position as head of a nonprofit organization. Tighe implored students to follow

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BRIEFS

> The 18th Annual Law School Family Day was held at the law school on September 15 with over 100 students, family, and friends in attendance.

> The North Carolina Court of Appeals held the 15th annual session at Wake Forest to hear oral arguments of two cases. The panel of judges included Chief Judge John Martin and Associate Judges Donna Stroud and John Arrowood.

> The Honorable Denise Hartsfield presided over the 1L Trial Competition finals on October 16.

> Professor Stephen Shute of the University of Birmingham, United Kingdom, lectured on "Satellite Tracking of Criminal Offenders in England and Wales" on November 14.

> The Stanley Moot Court Competition was held on November 16. The panel of judges included Judge Joel F. Dubina and Judge Charles R. Wilson of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit and Judge Neil M. Gorsuch of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. 2Ls Corinne Berry and Adam Hocutt made outstanding arguments, with Adam ultimately being declared the competition winner.



(l-r) Corinne Berry (2L), Judge Dubina, Adam Hocutt (2L), Judge Wilson, and Judge Gorsuch.

Professor Suzanne Reynolds to Run for Seat on NC Supreme Court

PROFESSOR SUZANNE

REYNOLDS (JD '77) announced in November that she plans to run for a seat on the N.C. Supreme Court. A beloved teacher and respected scholar within legal education and throughout the legal profession, she has been on the law school faculty for 26 years focusing primarily in the areas of family law and contracts.



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their hearts when choosing a career in the law. He also encouraged them to resist the urge to simply follow the easiest and most financially lucrative road. He told students that he never envisioned that he would be where he is today when he was in law school. Instead, he followed his passions, which led him to volunteer with the Peace Corps directly after law school. His volunteer experience with the Peace Corps led him to his position with the U.S. Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, which also oversaw foreign aid and the Peace Corps. This combined experience turned into an opportunity to ultimately lead the Peace Corps for five years, and that experience led him to his current position as head of a humanitarian relief organization. As Tighe pointed out, the less-traveled and far less lucrative career path that he took after law school blossomed into a career that has surpassed all of his expectations.

The crowd of 150 students left this "Conversation" with renewed inspiration and an understanding of the endless career opportunities available to them if they are willing to take some risks and follow their hearts.

CLASS OF 2010 PICKS UP HAMMERS DURING ORIENTATION WEEK

AS PART OF THE LAW SCHOOL'S 2007 orientation week, new law students were excused from classes for a day to participate in the law school's Community Service Project at a local Habitat for Humanity building site. This is the seventh year that the law school has incorporated community service into orientation week.

Working in groups of 40 over a two-day period, the Class of 2010 temporarily laid down law books and picked up hammers, nails, and lots of heavy boards to finish subflooring on three Habitat houses. The students were joined in this effort by a number of faculty including the law school's newly appointed dean, Blake Morant, who got acquainted with students as they all worked and sweated together in 90-100 degree record-breaking August temperatures.

Habitat supervisors were ecstatic with the progress made by law school participants and credit these efforts with helping Habitat meet a November completion schedule for these homes. These early opportunities for community volunteerism are intended to leave a lasting impression upon each law student, leading to a continued commitment to community service both during law school and upon entering the legal profession.

It must be working... Several students smiled through beads of sweat as they left the site in August and eagerly asked when they could return to offer more assistance—a sure sign that the spirit of Pro Humanitate is alive and well in the Class of 2010!

WFU Team Named North American Champion, Proceeds to International Round

CONGRATULATIONS TO THIRD-YEAR STUDENTS **Aimee**

Bennington and **Boyce Richardson** as well as second-year student **Meredith Jones** for becoming the North American Champion team of the 2007 Stetson International Environmental Moot Court Tournament. The team members won the final round after amassing a 4-0 record in the preliminary rounds among the field of 16 teams. In addition, the team was awarded Second-Place Memorial (Brief), and team member Boyce Richardson received the award for Best Oralist at the competition.

This outstanding performance generated an invitation to compete in the International Finals of the competition. In this phase of the competition, the team went 4-0 in the preliminary rounds against teams from Ireland, India, and two American teams: Loyola and Maryland. Earning a place in the International Semifinals, the team faced Loyola University-New Orleans for the fourth time. Although the Wake Forest team had beaten Loyola three times (once in the preliminaries of the North American round, once in the finals of the North American round, and once in the preliminaries of the International Finals), they lost a close match. Loyola went on to become the champion of the International Finals, having been beaten only by the Wake Forest team.

In all, the team came out with an incredible 9-1 record between the two events. In addition to their North American round awards, the team received Third-Place Memorial in the International Finals, and Boyce Richardson once again impressed the judges to receive Best Oralist in the International Finals.

Congratulations to this fine team for continuing the Wake Forest tradition of outstanding success in appellate advocacy competitions! 🍷



Meredith Jones, Aimee Bennington, and Boyce Richardson hold awards received as North American Champions.

FACULTY NOTES

CAROL ANDERSON announced the addition of two new civil law placements to the Litigation Clinic offerings. **Brent Helms (JD '92)** and **Nathan Childs (JD '06)** of Robinson & Lawing in Winston-Salem are mentoring a student this spring semester. Brent Helms is a partner with 15 years of broad litigation experience, built upon a stellar academic record and a clerkship at the N.C. Court of Appeals. Nathan Childs is an American Association for Justice Trial Team and Litigation Clinic alumnus who will be keenly aware of what it is like to be a student in need of a good mentor. Another Litigation Clinic alum, **James Roane (JD '99)** and his partner **Karonnie Truzy (JD '01)** of Crumley & Associates in High Point are also joining the clinic for the first time this spring. Jamie was an outstanding member of the Wake Forest National Trial Team as a law student and was recently recognized as the "Outstanding Young Gun" among top attorneys under the age of 40 by *Business NC Magazine*. Karonnie Truzy is another superb WFU trial team competitor who has worked with the law school's Academic Success Program.

DON CASTLEMAN moderated a panel of paper presentations at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools at Amelia Island, Florida, in August.

BOBBY CHESNEY traveled to West Point in late September to present a paper addressing emerging issues in the law of war, and from there traveled to William Mitchell College of Law to participate in a national security law workshop. In October, he delivered a talk addressing the post-9/11 convergence of criminal and military detention models as part of the Distinguished Lecturer series at William and Mary's Marshall-Wythe School of Law. In early November, Professor Chesney spoke to students at the Army JAG School in Charlottesville regarding the state of litigation arising out of Guantanamo Bay, and gave a

similar presentation the next week as part of a symposium sponsored by Roger Williams School of Law. Chesney also spoke about extraordinary rendition at the annual national security law conference sponsored by the American Bar Association's Standing Committee on Law and National Security and at a symposium in Chapel Hill. In late November, Chesney traveled to Ottawa to testify before the Commission of Inquiry into the Bombing of Air India Flight 182 concerning U.S. counterterrorism law. Professor Chesney's next publication, an article co-authored with Jack Goldsmith on the topic of enemy combatant detention, has been accepted for publication in the *Stanford Law Review*.

JENNIFER COLLINS' co-authored article, "Criminal Justice and the Challenge of Family Ties," was published in the August issue of the *Illinois Law Review*. In August, she served as one of the co-hosts and organizers for a conference of junior criminal law scholars held in Washington, DC.

CHRIS COUGHLIN coordinated the seventh annual Carolina Legal Research and Writing Colloquium and spoke at the Association of Legal Writing Directors bi-annual meeting in Denver, Colorado this summer. In addition, she spoke at the North Carolina Bar Association Intellectual Property section meeting and at the Wake Forest University School of Medicine on "Research Ethics in Developing Countries." She has recently been appointed to serve as a core member of the Wake Forest University Public Health Genomics and Policy working group and the Scientific Integrity and Research Ethics Committee.

TIM DAVIS recently published two book chapters, "The Persistence of Unconscious Racism in College Sports," and "Academic Inequity and the Impact of NCAA Rules" in *Diversity and Social Justice in College Sports* (2007).

In September, he attended a meeting of the Contracts Drafting Committee of the National Conference of Bar Examiners. In October, Professor Davis discussed drug testing in sports at a symposium held at the University of West Virginia School of Law, and he presented "The Line of Demarcation Between Amateurism and Professionalism in Sports" (co-authored with Brian Conley and David Ginzer) at a continuing legal education program sponsored by the Texas Bar Association.

MAUREEN EGGERT conducted a CLE webinar entitled "Avoiding Ethical Dilemmas and Malpractice in North Carolina," for the West LegalEdcenter on December 13. Another of her CLE programs, "Internet Research Tools Without the Expense," presented this at the N.C. Bar General Practice Section Annual Meeting this April, was selected to become one of the Bar's video broadcast offerings.

SHANNON GILREATH was the keynote speaker at the annual Kaleidoscope Awards of Parents, Family & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG). His op-ed, "In Defense of the Employment Non-Discrimination Act," was published in October in the Manhattan-based *Gay City News*, the largest-circulation gay newspaper in the United States.

SUE GREBELDINGER prepared a civil procedure update paper for Wake Forest Continuing Legal Education. She presented the paper in Raleigh, Asheville, and Winston-Salem.

MIKE GREEN attended a meeting of the American Law Institute in Austin, Texas, at which a draft of the final chapter of the Third Restatement of Torts, for which he is a co-reporter, was initially presented and discussed. He and his co-reporter have revised that draft, which was recently considered by the Council of the ALI at its meeting in

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Philadelphia in December. In October, Green co-taught a Judicial Continuing Education Program for Pennsylvania judges on Managing Complex Litigation in both Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. Green also represented the law school at two recruiting events for prospective law students—one at Vanderbilt University and the other in Philadelphia for all Philadelphia-area college students. With a co-author, Green completed work on a paper that addresses the proper role of “duty” in tort law, responding to a number of critics of its treatment in the Third Restatement of Torts. That article will be published in 2008 in the *University of Southern California Law Review*.

MARK HALL gave the following talks during November: “Health Policy: A Constitution-Free Zone,” Stanford University Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences; “Patients as Consumers: The Law of Medical Billing,” Harvard Law School; “An Essentialist View of Health Law,” Canadian Health Law Association, and “Community Hospitals’ Oversight of Investigator’s Financial Relationships,” Health Care Compliance Association.

SALLY IRVIN was the keynote speaker at the closing banquet of the American Heart Association’s Mid-Atlantic Affiliate Staff Conference held in August and attended by over 300 AHA staff members. As a woman with heart disease, Sally spends as much time as she can advocating on behalf of women with heart disease. She attended the American Heart Association’s Lobby Day in Washington, DC last spring where she met with North Carolina legislators and member of their staff, including Senator Elizabeth Dole. She was interviewed on national television at Lobby Day about the HEART For Women Act currently making its way through both the House and Senate. She serves as a member of the American Heart Association’s Mid-Atlantic Affiliate You’re The Cure Steering Committee and the North Carolina Public Policy Committee.

BARBARA LENTZ and **LINDA ROGERS** delivered a talk as part of the law school’s new Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) speaker series on November 14. They discussed *Bowles v. Russell*, a case pending before the U.S. Supreme Court where the issue is whether filing deadlines for notices of appeal are jurisdictional or simply claims processing rules.

KATE MEWHINNEY was a plenary speaker at the North Carolina Conference on Aging held in September. Her topic was “Street Smarts for Seniors—Financial and Consumer Issues.” In October, Professor Mewhinney presented at the National Aging and Law Conference in Washington, DC, on the topic “Durable Powers of Attorney: Tool for Empowerment or Exploitation?” In late fall, Professor Mewhinney gave a presentation on establishing elder law clinics at the Canadian Conference on Elder Law in Vancouver.

SUSAN MONTAQUILA was invited by the Open Society Institute to serve on the Selection Committee for the Palestinian Rule of Law Program. Other members of the 2008 Committee are Sylvia Polo, Dean of Graduate Legal Studies, Columbia Law School, and Dora-Marie Sonderhoff, Assistant Director of Admissions of the University of Michigan Law School. Dean Montaquila was also a speaker on an international law panel presentation of the International Law and Practice Council of the North Carolina Bar Association in October at Campbell School of Law.

JOEL NEWMAN’s article, “*Gilmore v. United States: The Divorce*,” appeared in the August 6, 2007, edition of Tax Notes. His Commentary, “CHAMP: How the Tax Court Finessed a Bad Statute,” appeared in Tax Notes on September 3. His article, “Baseball Autographs,” also appeared in a recent edition of Tax Notes. In November, Professor Newman performed dinner music on clarinet and tenor saxophone, with piano accompaniment, at the Samaritan

Ministries soup kitchen and performed again as part of a larger ensemble for Forsyth Medical Center’s Case of the Year festivities.

ALAN PALMITER completed a fourth edition of his book, *Securities Regulation: Examples & Explanations*, to be published by Aspen Publishers in spring 2008. Among other things, the book deals with the convoluted new SEC rules on communications during public offerings. In December, Palmiter spoke in Italy at the University of Florence on the “Corporation as Private Constitution,” asserting that the basic governance and protective mechanisms in the U.S. public corporation mirror those of the U.S. constitutional structure. Also in December, Palmiter participated in a conference at Columbia Law School on “Cross Border Securities Market Mergers.” Palmiter (with Ahmed Taha) also finished an article on “Mutual Fund Investors: Divergent Profiles,” which assesses the investment knowledge and acumen of mutual investors as perceived by the fund industry, the SEC, and the academic literature. Taha and Palmiter presented the paper for a seminar at Duke Law School. Palmiter (with Dick Schneider) co-chaired the faculty LLM/International Committee, which presented a proposal for a new SJD program for international graduate law students.

WENDY PARKER spoke on the value of school integration at a symposium to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Central High Crisis at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock School of Law in September.

SUZANNE REYNOLDS moderated an on-stage interview with Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg at the N.C. Bar Association Meeting in October. The program was sponsored by the N.C. Bar Association’s Women in the Profession Committee and was attended by over 500 attorneys.

LINDA ROGERS presented a talk on “A Client Centered Approach to Teaching Legal Writing” at the Southeastern Legal Writing Conference held in September at Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad Law Center in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. This fall, she designed and wrote the appellate problem used as the source for both the Legal Research and Writing III fall writing courses and the Stanley Competition.

SIMONE ROSE presented a paper at the 2007 Intellectual Property Scholars Conference in August. The conference was co-sponsored by the IP law institutes of Berkeley, Cardozo and DePaul law schools. Professor Rose’s paper—“Semiconductor Chips and Stem Cells: New Wine for New Bottles?”—provides a contrast between semiconductor technology and the economics surrounding the semiconductor industry’s explosion in the 1980s, with today’s stem cell technology and its surrounding economics. The paper makes the case for sui-generis intellectual property protection for human embryonic stem cells.

SID SHAPIRO participated in a panel on “OMB and the Future of Regulatory Analysis” held at the August meeting of the Administrative Law and Practice Section of the American Bar Association in San Francisco. His topic was “An Alternative to Cost-Benefit Analysis.” An article on this topic titled “Beyond Cost-Benefit Analysis: A Pragmatic Reorientation” will be published by the *Harvard Environmental Law Review* next summer. His coauthor is Christopher Schroeder, Murphy Professor of Law and Professor of Public Policy Studies at Duke University. Shapiro also spoke at a conference sponsored by the Lewis and Clark Law School on “Science and Environmental Law.” The paper he presented on “OMB and the Politicization of Risk Assessment” will be published as an article by the *Environmental Law Review* in spring 2008. Shapiro was also a coauthor of a policy paper released by the Center

for Progressive Reform (CPR) entitled “Using Agency Preemption to Undercut Health and Safety.” William Funk (Lewis and Clark Law School) and David Vladeck (Georgetown Law School) were co-authors. Shapiro spoke on a panel on this topic at the annual meeting of the Southeastern Association of Law Schools at Amelia Island, Florida, in August. Shapiro also authored a chapter in a report on “The Administrative Law of the European Union” published by the Section of Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice. The topic was the “Administrative Law of Privacy in the EU.” The report is available at <http://www.abanet.org/adminlaw/eu/finalreport.pdf>. He is currently working on a book entitled “The People’s Agents: Executive Branch Accountability for Health and the Environment in the New Millennium.” The book will address the gaps between the ambitious mandates assigned to administrative agencies in their statutory mandates and their steadily weakening track records in achieving many of these goals.

DAVID SHORES recently completed an article entitled “Textualism and Intentionalism in Tax Litigation.” It will appear in a forthcoming issue of *The Tax Lawyer*, a peer-reviewed journal published by the Tax Section of the American Bar Association.

MARGARET TAYLOR completed an essay entitled “Refugee Roulette in an Administrative Law Context: The Déjà Vu of Decisional Disparities in Agency Adjudication” for a symposium in the *Stanford Law Review*. Professor Taylor also spoke on “Enforcement Myths and Enforcement Realities” at a conference titled “Immigration: Recasting the Debate,” held October 3-5 at Wake Forest University. The conference was the opening event for Wake Forest’s 2007-08 Voices of Our Time speaker series.

GEORGE WALKER chaired a panel discussion at the American Branch of the International Law Association

annual meeting in New York City October 26. The panel discussed a final draft of a book, “Terms in the 1982 U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea or in Convention Analysis that the Convention Does Not Define: Report of the International Law Association (American Branch) Law of the Sea Committee,” scheduled for publication next year. Professor Walker chairs the Law of the Sea Committee and its project and is a member of the American Branch Executive Committee. He was also a participant in a U.S. Naval War College program, International Law and Military Operations, sponsored by the College’s International Law Department of the Center for Naval Warfare Studies, at Newport, R.I., June 20-22, 2007.

RON WRIGHT completed work on an article about criminal charge movement (to be published as part of a symposium issue of the *Marquette Law Review*), along with the second edition of his casebook on *Sentencing Law and Policy*. Early this fall, he delivered a lecture for the Hoffinger Criminal Justice colloquium at New York University. The Hoffinger lecture is a centerpiece of the criminal law program at the NYU School of Law and is attended by leading scholars, practitioners, policymakers, and journalists in the New York metropolitan area. Dean Wright spoke about the election campaigns of district attorneys. He was also one of the three featured speakers in November at a conference at the University of Utah on the Innocence Movement After DNA Evidence. The topic of his speech was the use of probation as a punishment for murder in Dallas, and his title was “Dead Wrong.” Another of Dean Wright’s thought-provoking articles titled “Trial Distortion and the End of Innocence in Federal Criminal Justice” was featured recently on *Penn Law Review’s* online companion, *Pennumbra*. The site hosted a series of scholarly responses to Wright’s article. ♪

A New Dean and a New Plan:

A Legal Education for the 21st Century

By Ellen Dockham

WHEN BLAKE MORANT HEARD THAT THE WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW WAS LOOKING FOR A NEW DEAN AFTER THE RETIREMENT OF BOB WALSH, HE KNEW HE WAS A POSSIBLE FIT FOR THE JOB.

WHEN HE HEARD THAT THE LAW SCHOOL WAS ALSO EMBARKING ON A LONG-RANGE PLAN WITH THE MISSION OF DEVELOPING STUDENTS THROUGH LEGAL EDUCATION ON A HUMAN SCALE, HE KNEW HE HAD FOUND A JEWEL OF AN OPPORTUNITY.

SOMETHING TO SING ABOUT, EVEN, FOR THE MAN WHO ONCE CONSIDERED A MUSIC MAJOR AND WHO HAS FOR YEARS SERVED AS A CANTOR IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

"I've always admired the Wake Forest School of Law for the quality of its faculty, an ethos that includes a student-centered focus and the exceptional professionals it produces," Morant said. "I saw the deanship as a wonderful opportunity because of the law school's great values with which I identify completely."

During his 15 years in legal education, Morant had come to know Wake Forest's reputation. "I came from a law school, Washington & Lee, that similarly emphasizes a student-focused education both inside and outside the classroom, and the inculcation of values such as ethics, civility and the citizen-lawyer," he said. "My experience in the dean search process, which afforded the opportunity to meet many members of the faculty, confirmed the special nature of the Wake Forest law school. It is my great fortune that the institution found me to be a good fit."

Professor Suzanne Reynolds, who chaired the dean search committee, said all roads in the search process led to Blake Morant. "For all his varied experience, there was just something about him that reflected a deep appreciation for who we are at Wake Forest and for the next steps Wake Forest should take," Reynolds said. "Everyone recognized that what was about to happen was a marriage made in heaven."

It was also a great fortune for both Morant and the law school that the dean search process coincided with the university-wide strategic planning effort. Because the faculty was already deeply engaged in self-analysis through the planning process, it wasn't hard to identify the right dean to lead the implementation. "From every constituent of the law school family, we heard that Blake Morant was the perfect choice," Reynolds said.



While the development of the law school's 2007 long-range plan was near completion by the time Morant arrived in Winston-Salem, there was still time for the new dean to put his stamp on it. "We are embarking on a path that builds on the distinctive strengths of the law school and will place it at the cutting edge of legal education in the 21st century," Morant said.

The law school faculty spent the 2006-2007 academic year working on a plan to coordinate the school's priorities with those of the University and to offer students, alumni, and supporters a vision for the school in the next several years. A committee that included Suzanne Reynolds, Miles Foy, Charley Rose, Ron Wright, John Knox, Jennifer Collins, and Ahmed Taha spearheaded the effort that resulted in a dynamic plan to advance the law school. Following are highlights of the plan, some of which are already being implemented.

Strengthening connections between legal education and law practice

THE PLAN CALLS FOR increasing the law school's clinical offerings to give students a wider variety of practical experience and to meet legal needs in the community. "Law schools are bastions of talent, but many tend to operate as intellectual silos," Morant said. "Clinics serve as excellent pedagogical vehicles that connect law schools to their local communities."

Opening in the 2008-2009 school year will be a Community Development Clinic that will be a resource for low-wealth entrepreneurs and nonprofit organizations seeking to improve the business climate and quality of life in the heart of the city of Winston-Salem. A search is underway to hire a full-time faculty

member to manage the clinic, which will also pull support from the Babcock School of Management and the Calloway School of Business and Accountancy. "The clinic will incorporate expertise from other disciplines such as economics, counseling, and sociology," Morant said. "Legal education in the 21st century is becoming more interdisciplinary, and the Community Development Clinic will accentuate this new dynamic in legal education."

Next on the list is the establishment of an Innocence Project. After meeting with the Forsyth County Bar Association and the Darryl Hunt Foundation, the law school founded a DNA Innocence Project, which will eventually become a full-fledged clinic managed by a part-time attorney/instructor. The DNA Innocence Project has already begun, with lawyers in the community training student volunteers who will determine whether certain cases qualify for additional DNA testing.

Other possible clinical offerings include a Child Advocacy Clinic that would build on the work of the existing Domestic Violence Advocacy Center, a Survivor's Law Clinic to help people who face legal difficulties as a result of cancer or other serious medical problems, and an Immigrant Clinic designed to address the needs of a burgeoning new segment of the community.

Reynolds said that the increase in clinical outreach was the one part of the plan that everyone recognized as central. "There are so many community needs out there and so many varied interests among students that we really need to make more opportunities available," she said. "We need to take advantage of the enthusiasm of our students in addressing community needs. That's what Pro Humanitate is all about. What's so great is that collaboration with the community fits hand-in-glove with the entire university's long-range plan."

Strengthening connections between teachers and students

BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS TOP the list of this category of the long-range plan. Amazingly enough, the Worrell Professional Center is already 14 years old, and better spaces for the exchange of ideas among faculty and students are needed. The LLM program and other international exchange initiatives arrived at the law school after the Worrell Center was built, and those programs need an institutional home. There is a shortage of office space for the growing faculty and for necessary staff. The faculty also recognizes that students need more study, communal, and office space.

Other innovative ideas that Morant suggested and the faculty approved are capstone courses and metropolitan externships for third-year law students. "Capstone courses build on principles learned in the students' first and second years of law school and provide an opportunity to apply those principles in practical, real-life settings," Morant said. "The cumulative knowledge helps students solve complex legal controversies and problems." One example of a problem in a capstone course is the formulation of a business plan for a hypothetical client that cuts across different legal disciplines, such as corporations, partnerships, taxes, real property, securities and the like. Faculty members may team-teach these courses with practicing attorneys.

Metropolitan externships would provide highly qualified third-year students with the opportunity to work in a wide range of legal settings while receiving course credit. Students would meet weekly with the externship director to receive instruction on issues related to ethics and professionalism. Many issues associated with such an ambitious program remain, including the thorny issue of students being away from campus and, thus, unable to take other courses simultaneously. Once these issues are addressed, Morant is confident that the program will greatly enrich law school for those who qualify to participate. "The

LONG-RANGE PLAN ALREADY ROLLING

IN HIS NEW ROLE AS Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, Ron Wright keeps a list of action items, which he checks to ensure the plan becomes a reality.

"I'm very excited about the plan, and it reflects pretty well a consensus of the faculty. It's got a good chance of success because it's a bottom-up plan," Wright said.

Some items of the plan that have either been implemented or are close to implementation include:

- Appointment of Professor Sid Shapiro to the newly created position of associate dean for research and development.
- Enhancement of the faculty's advising system for students.
- Enriched support for students who will take a bar examination.
- Employment of building consultants who will explore ways to maximize space usage in the Worrell Professional Center.

- Creation of an annual Young Alumni Forum, the first of which will convene in Spring 2008.
- Formulation of a program that invites recent alumni to serve as judges in moot court competitions.
- Enhancement of the new DNA Innocence Project, which includes training for students.
- Enhancement of the Domestic Violence Advocacy Center, which may ultimately award academic credit for participation.
- Participation in the University's proposed Center for Ethics, Religion and Law.
- Establishment of an SJD program for foreign lawyers.
- Substantial revision of the law school's website.

"I've always admired the Wake Forest School of Law for the quality of its faculty, an ethos that includes a student-centered focus and the exceptional professionals it produces. I saw the deanship as a wonderful opportunity because of the law school's great values with which I identify completely."



third-year tends to mirror the first two years of study, a situation that leaves many students clamoring for more," Morant said. "The externships will address this shortcoming and serve as a recruitment tool for law offices. This program will also give the law school a tangible presence in such cities as Charlotte and Washington, DC."

Ahmed Taha, associate professor of law, spent his time on the planning committee focusing on ways to improve relationships with young alumni and to improve the advisory program. "One thing I liked about these ideas is that they don't require any money, and we're already implementing them," Taha said. "We understand that young alumni don't have a lot of money to contribute to the law school, but there are many other valuable ways they can get more involved. We're going to do a better job contacting alumni by e-mail, leveraging contacts especially with alumni who have moved out of the Southeast, and inviting alumni to come back to campus to judge moot court rounds and act as mentors for students."

With regard to the advisory program, the law school took a different approach to assigning faculty advisors to first-year students. Instead of assigning students alphabetically, Ron Wright, the new Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, spent hours matching students with faculty who have some type of shared interest. Wright also encouraged faculty to take their new advisees out to lunch at the beginning of the first semester and to meet with them at least once a semester after that. "Most of the time you don't know the student, but this year all of my advisees are in my class," Taha said. "First-year students are usually intimidated, but this way they're already somewhat comfortable with you. Many of students tend to find their own informal mentors as they go along, but the worry was that others may slip through the cracks. We can then point them to resources in their job hunts and give them advice on how to study and prepare for exams. It's easy to implement and hopefully will lead to better relationships with the faculty and produce young alumni who have a better relationship with the school."

Another primary goal of the plan is to increase substantially the diversity of the student body. A strategy to advance this goal will be the enhancement of financial aid resources.

Strengthening connections across the University

RON WRIGHT IS PARTICULARLY excited about the law school's plan to create two new joint degree programs. The JD/M. Div. degree should be up and running in fall 2008, to be followed by a JD/MD degree in the near future. Also being explored is a

JD/MA degree. "We're going to be trying to create overlapping interest between faculty members of the law school and faculty members of the political science, sociology, and economics departments," Wright said. "We're creating ways to get faculty members talking with others who are experts in fields related to their work."

To that end, the law school is also working to facilitate cross-campus studies by law students who aren't pursuing joint degrees. "We want to make it easier for students to cross-register for courses with other departments in the University because knowledge crosses disciplinary boundaries," Wright said. "This really plays to the strengths at Wake Forest. Since we're small, we ought to be nimble. It's also part of the whole Wake Forest liberal education ideal that you want to educate people broadly. You have to get your basics in legal analysis, but lawyers need to learn things that cross those boundaries."

Strengthening connections between the law school and the community of legal scholars

WHILE WAKE FOREST CERTAINLY boasts an incredibly talented faculty, its list of chairs and professorships pales in comparison with other distinguished law schools. "We have an outstanding faculty that exemplifies the teacher/scholar model," Morant said. "Wake Forest is significantly attractive to prospective faculty members, but to retain talented faculty, we must maximize our resources in terms of chairs and professorships."

The plan calls for the creation of two additional endowed chairs and three named professorships as well as two rotating fellowships for research that would recognize scholarly achievement or promise. Also important to faculty are plans to reduce course loads for junior faculty members working toward tenure and to offer temporary course reductions for senior faculty members involved in special projects.

Morant has spent his first semester in the dean's office singing the praises of the new strategic plan of the law school in general. His singing will broaden until more people see the jewel that is Wake Forest. "We have one of the finest law schools in the country—a fact that national and international communities continually recognize." 🏛️

CRIME and Parenthood:



The Case of Parental Negligence

On May 29, 2002, Kevin Kelly, a Virginia father of thirteen children, left his youngest child, a twenty-one-month-old girl, in the family van when the family returned home from running an errand. A neighbor found the child dead in the van seven hours later.

KELLY WAS PROMPTLY PROSECUTED by the Commonwealth of Virginia for involuntary manslaughter, a decision that ignited a firestorm of controversy. One well-respected commentator, for example, immediately condemned the decision as “send[ing] a chilling message of prosecutorial over-reach and abuse” and compared the “logic” behind the prosecution to “the Vietnam war technique of destroying a village to save it.”¹

The Kevin Kelly case is just one example of a sad phenomenon: the deaths of children due to parental negligence. The problem of child neglect is a significant one in this country. Approximately 15 children under the age of fourteen die every day in this country as a result of unintentional injuries, totaling more than 5,600 children per year. Although surely not all, many of these deaths were undoubtedly caused by parental negligence.

Despite the pervasiveness of the neglect problem, the legal academy has devoted scant scholarly attention to these cases. When scholars refer to prosecution, it is typically only to make the broad assertion that the criminal justice system usually decides not to intervene when a child dies as the result of parental negligence, an assertion ordinarily backed by no empirical support. In addition, prosecutors are relying on the common perception that a failure to prosecute is the norm when making charging decisions in individual cases.²

It is difficult even to determine the number of child deaths due to parental negligence, let alone the criminal justice outcomes in such cases. Nevertheless, several statistical sources give some insight into the potential magnitude of fatal neglect. The Centers for Disease Control concluded that in 2001, 859 children aged 14 years or younger died in drowning accidents.³ The National Safe

Kids Campaign estimated that 72 children aged 14 and under died from unintentional injuries caused by firearms in 2001.⁴ Not all of these deaths involved parental negligence, but some of them surely did.

In an attempt to address the empirical void regarding the criminal justice responses to these incidents, I examined prosecutorial charging decisions over a six-year period in cases involving children who died of hyperthermia when left alone in motor vehicles. The results fly in the face of conventional wisdom: My study found that parents were in fact prosecuted in over 50 percent of the cases. Further, although parents are prosecuted in the majority of cases, individuals not related to the victim fare even worse; non-relatives were prosecuted in over 88 percent of the cases. One particularly important—and disturbing—finding was the disparate treatment of parents from different socioeconomic groups: Parents in blue-collar professions and parents who were unemployed were four times more likely to be prosecuted than parents from wealthier socioeconomic groups.

An Empirical Study of Failure to Supervise Cases

MY STUDY ANALYZED ACTUAL CASES involving the death of a child as a result of parental negligence. Unfortunately this is a quite common factual scenario; in 2003, for example, at least 42 children died from hyperthermia in the United States after being trapped in a car. I attempted to identify as many incidents

as possible involving a child dying from hyperthermia in the United States after being left in a car for the six-year period from the beginning of 1998 to the end of 2003. I was especially interested to learn the identity of the responsible party—was it a parent, another relative, or some unrelated caregiver? And how did the criminal justice system respond to each incident?

My data set consisted of 130 incidents involving 136 total victims. In 35 percent of these incidents, the mother was the sole party responsible for leaving the child in the car. Fathers were the culpable parties in 22 percent of the incidents, while

11 percent actually involved both parents as potential defendants. Other relatives were responsible for forgetting the child in the car in 11 percent of the incidents. Finally, 22 percent of the incidents involved only caregivers who were unrelated to the victim, such as a daycare worker, babysitter, or foster parent. In at least 87 of the incidents, the child was left alone in the car for three or more hours.

The responses to these incidents by the criminal justice system are summarized in the table below.



Identity of Defendant	Number of Incidents	Incidents Prosecuted *	Defendant Convicted	Jail Sentence Imposed
Mother	46	26/43 (60.5%)	23/25 (92%)	15/22 (68.2%)
Father	28	11/25 (44%)	10/11 (90.9%)	5/9 (55.5%)
Both Parents	14	6/12 (50%)	5/6 (83.3%)	1/4 (25%)
Other Relative	14	6/10 (60%)	5/6 (83.3%)	1/5 (20%)
Unrelated Party	28	24/27 (88.8%)	20/22 (90.9%)	12/20 (60%)

Hyperthermia Incidents in the Criminal Justice System (1998–2003)

THE CONVENTIONAL WISDOM about parental negligence cases supposes that parents are usually not charged with a criminal offense and, in the unlikely event they are charged, are rarely convicted. This perception clearly is inaccurate, especially with regard to mothers. Mothers were prosecuted in 61 percent of the incidents. An overwhelming percentage of the remaining incidents resulted in a criminal conviction: Mothers were convicted in 92 percent of the cases. Not surprisingly, the majority of these convictions were the result of guilty pleas.

Mothers were convicted of offenses ranging from second-degree murder to involuntary manslaughter and criminally negligent or reckless homicide to lesser charges of child neglect or endangerment. Moreover, mothers received sentences that included incarceration in 68 percent of the cases where the government obtained a conviction. Although one of these sentences involved just one day of jail time, the remaining cases involving jail sentences ranged from one year to 15 years to life.

Fathers fared a little better, at least at the charging stage of the case, although they were still prosecuted, convicted, and sentenced to jail in a considerable percentage of incidents. Fathers were prosecuted in 44 percent of these incidents. Again, the

* The right-hand number here reflects the number of cases about which I was able to obtain information. So of the 46 cases involving a mother as a potential defendant, I was able to obtain information about the charging decision in 43 of the cases. I was able to learn whether or not the defendant was convicted in 23 of the 25 cases in which charges were brought, and so on.

overwhelming percentage of these cases, 91 percent, resulted in a conviction.

Fathers were sentenced to jail time for just over half of these convictions, although one sentence required a father to spend just one day in jail on his daughter's birthday for seven years. The remaining sentences ranged from one year of imprisonment to 14 years.

Prosecution decisions in the 14 incidents involving a relative other than a parent were roughly comparable to the parent cases. The prosecution rate was 60 percent, and most of the defendants were sentenced to probation.

Prosecution rates were strikingly higher in the 28 incidents involving only adults unrelated to the victim. Of these incidents, 16 involved workers at daycare centers; the remaining incidents involved babysitters, family friends, or foster parents. The prosecution rate for these incidents was 89 percent. Prosecutors obtained convictions in over 90 percent of the cases they filed.

Non-relatives who were prosecuted faced the very real possibility of a jail sentence. In 60 percent of the cases where

the government obtained a conviction, the defendants were sentenced to jail. The jail sentences for non-relatives ranged from 90 days to 13 years of incarceration.

In sum, of the cases where I was able to determine the decision regarding prosecution, parents were prosecuted in 43 of 80 cases, or in 54 percent, still a very significant percentage. But individuals not related to the defendant were prosecuted far more frequently, in 89 percent of cases where I was able to trace the prosecution history.

The factors that influenced prosecutorial decision-making are highlighted through the use of narrative, so this section incorporates some actual case studies to illustrate patterns.

On June 28, 2002, a 25-year-old mother named Tarajee Maynor deliberately left her three-year-old son and ten-month-old daughter in her car for more than three hours while she was getting her hair done and getting a massage. When Ms. Maynor returned to her car and discovered that her children were dead, she drove around with their bodies for another three hours trying to concoct a story to explain her conduct. She initially told the police she had been taken from the car and raped, and returned to the parking lot after the rape to find her children dead. She eventually confessed to intentionally leaving the children, but claimed that she was "too stupid" to know that the children could be harmed as a result. She recently pled guilty to second-degree murder and was sentenced to 12½ to 60 years in prison.

My research showed that prosecutions were initiated in every case where the responsible party left the child in the car deliberately. The evidence in these cases did not suggest that the perpetrator intended to kill the child; indeed, the facts typically demonstrated that the defendant was unaware that a decision to leave the child behind posed any fatal danger. Nonetheless, prosecutions were far more likely in these cases than in a case where the responsible party simply forgot the child was in the car. The remarkably consistent decisions to prosecute across this category of cases are perhaps explained because these defendants arguably behaved recklessly, rather than only negligently.

On August 1, 1999, a 30-year-old mother named Sandra Arteaga accidentally left her eight-month-old son in her car after

a night of drinking. Ms. Arteaga was driving home with her two children after a night of partying when she decided to pull over in a gas station parking lot to rest. A limousine driver noticed Ms. Arteaga and offered her a ride home. Ms. Arteaga brought her three-year-old daughter into the limo, but forgot her son was also in her car and drove off without him. She did not realize her son was missing until her husband woke her up in the morning. She was convicted at a jury trial of reckless injury to a child and sentenced to twelve years in prison. Her husband objected to the prison sentence and stated that the jurors should have imposed probation, saying "it's the least they could have done for her."

Prosecutions were initiated in virtually every case where any sort of aggravating factor was present. For example, the responsible party was prosecuted in every case where there was an indication of significant drug or alcohol use prior to forgetting the child in the car. The only exception to this trend was a daycare provider who waited 35 minutes to call 911 after finding an unconscious child in her van. Despite the delay in summoning help and the fact she was a daycare provider, a category of defendant prosecuted in more than 88 percent of the incidents, the grand jury declined to indict her.

On July 24, 2001, an unemployed 24-year-old father named Brian Gilbert accidentally left his five-month-old son in his car for three hours while he visited a relative to play video games. Prosecutors in San Jose, California, charged him with involuntary manslaughter and child neglect. Mr. Gilbert went to trial and was found guilty of both charges by a jury. He was sentenced to four years' probation and 500 hours of community service. The prosecutor remarked after the verdict that Gilbert's actions constituted a "flagrant departure from what the community expects" in terms of a parent's duty of care and "that it was obvious that he should have been aware of his own son."

On August 9, 2003, a 49-year-old college professor and Fulbright scholar named Mark Warschauer accidentally left his ten-month-old son in his car for over three hours when he went to work. The district attorney in Irvine, California, declined to file charges, saying the death was a "tragic mistake" and citing Warschauer's "unquestionable love for his son."

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One of the most striking trends in the data was the preferential treatment accorded parents who could be identified via descriptions contained in media reports as middle- or upper-class or employed in "white-collar" professions. I was able to obtain information regarding both socioeconomic status and prosecution outcome for 51 of the cases involving parents as potential defendants. Thirty of these cases involved parents who could be characterized as working in a white-collar profession or as being the spouse of a white-collar professional. Professions ranged from a NASA scientist to college professors to a hospital CEO. Of these individuals, only seven were prosecuted, for a prosecution rate of 23 percent. But of the 21 individuals who could be classified as working in a blue-collar profession or who were unemployed or had some other indicator of a lower socioeconomic status such as living in a mobile home with no working utilities, 18 were prosecuted, translating to a staggering prosecution rate of 86 percent.

It is my hope that this research will enable us to begin a more meaningful conversation about whether prosecution is appropriate when a child dies due to parental negligence.

Rather than relying on inaccurate perceptions about the pattern of decision-making by prosecutors in other jurisdictions, for example, prosecutors confronted with these tragic situations will now have more accurate information to work with when assessing cases.

The conversation is worth having because when used correctly and with compassion, prosecution can be an important tool for protecting children. It can have a concrete impact in improving safety conditions for them because it can help to shape societal norms about what is an appropriate standard of care. In part, we do not leave two-year-olds bouncing around unrestrained in a car because our fellow commuters would look at us with horror if we did. Prosecution can play an important role in reshaping these norms because our conception of what behavior is considered neglectful is shaped in part by the actions taken by the criminal justice system. ☞

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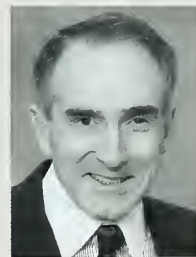
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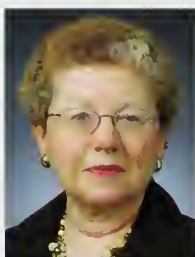
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R. MARKS ARNOLD (JD '78) is with Smith Anderson Blount Dorsett Mitchell & Jernigan LLP in Raleigh. He received the Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Service to Youth Award.

DAVID H. COATES ('71, JD '78) practices law in Hightstown, NJ. He served on the board of the Mid-Jersey Chapter of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and as vice president of governmental relations. He has been active in the effort to foster stem cell research in New Jersey. He and his wife, Suzanne, have three children: Henry, Malcolm, and Charlie.

REGINALD F. COMBS ('76, JD '78) is head of the litigation practice group of Blanco Tackabery Combs & Matamoros PA in Winston-Salem. He has been appointed by the N.C. Bar Association to the Chief Justice's N.C. Equal Access to Justice Commission.

WILLIAM D. HAWKINS III ('78, JD '81) has been elected vice president and appointed general tax counsel of the Coca-Cola Company in Atlanta.

JOHN J. STENGER (JD '78) is a partner in the capital finance and real estate practice area of Hunton & Williams LLP in Dallas.

MARK S. THOMAS ('75, JD '78) is with Williams Mullen Maupin & Taylor PA in Raleigh focusing on ERISA and employee benefits litigation. He has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in labor and employment law.

JAMES BRADLEY WILSON (JD '78) received his MA from Duke University.

J. ANTHONY "ANDY" PENRY ('76, JD '79) has been named one of Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite" in construction law and one of the "Best Lawyers in America."

MARGARET SMITH "PEGGY" ABRAMS ('76, JD '80) is president-elect of the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers. She lives in Raleigh with her husband, **DOUG ('76, JD '79)**, and their four sons. Their law practice is Abrams & Abrams PA.

DAN A. BOONE (JD '80) and a partner opened a real estate development entity, Cabernet Holdings LLC, in Concord, NC. Their first project is a hotel and restaurant at Childress Vineyards in Lexington, NC.

HOWARD L. BORUM (JD '80) is with Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro. He was named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in real estate law.

CAROLE W. BRUCE (JD '80) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro. She is one of Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite" in tax and estate planning.

STEPHEN J. OWENS (JD '80) has been appointed general counsel of the University of Missouri.

STEPHEN M. RUSSELL (JD '80) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been elected vice president of the board of directors of Exchange/

SCAN, a child abuse prevention agency, and is president-elect of the Forsyth County Bar Association. He has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in commercial litigation and legal and professional malpractice.

TERRI L. GARDNER ('78, JD '81) is with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh. She received the N.C. Association of CPAs Outstanding Chapter Speaker Award.

SUSANNA K. "SUSIE" GIBBONS ('78, JD '81) is with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh. She was recognized as an honorary fellow of the Litigation Counsel of America. She has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America."

DAVID S. JONAS (JD '81) is an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center and the George Washington University Law School. He published a law review article in the *NYU Journal of International Law and Politics* on a nuclear non-proliferation law topic.

JEFFREY USHER (JD '81) published a book, *Take Them by the Hand*. The book is a guide for coaches and parents on how to use sports to lead children by faith and values.

CRAIG B. WHEATON (JD '81) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh. He was selected one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in employee benefits law.

ROBERT L. WILSON JR. (JD '81) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro.

He was named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in health care law for the tenth year.

GARY K. JOYNER (JD '82) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh. He was selected to the 2007 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and was named as one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in real estate law.

PATRICIA McHUGH LAMBERT (JD '82) is with Hodes Pessin & Katz PA in Baltimore. She has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for insurance law.

JILL R. WILSON (JD '82) is with Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro. She has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in education law.

C. FRANK HILTON (JD '83) practices professional malpractice and personal injury litigation with Wharton Aldhizer & Weaver PLC in Harrisonburg, VA. He has been named to Virginia's "Legal Elite," to the list of "Super Lawyers," and to the "Best Lawyers in America."

CHESTER M. JONES (JD '83) opened a solo practice in Franklin, NC.

STEPHEN R. BERLIN ('81, JD '84) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was selected to the 2007 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and selected as one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in environmental law.



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Robert L. Wilson Jr.

JULIANA RINEHART COBB

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DAVID C. SMITH ('81, JD '84)

is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was selected one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in commercial litigation.

JOSEPH E. "JOE" ZESZOTARSKI

JR. (JD '84) is with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh. He has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in criminal defense.

P. KEVIN CARWILE (JD '85) is chief of a newly created anti-gang unit at the U.S. Department of Justice Headquarters. He leads a group of federal prosecutors who investigate and prosecute national and international gangs in the United States.

DAVID D. DAGGETT (JD '85) is managing partner at Lewis & Daggett in Winston-Salem. He qualified for the fifth time to compete in the Hawaii Ironman World Championships. He and his wife, Cynthia, have three children.

THOMAS C. GRELLA (JD '85) is chair of the management committee of McGuire Wood & Bissette PA in Asheville, NC, and chair of the practice management section of the American Bar Association. He has been named a fellow of the National Institute for Teaching Ethics and Professionalism.

DAVID LERNER (JD '85) is with Litchford & Christopher PA in Orlando, FL. He was recognized with an "AV Peer Review Rating" by Martindale-Hubbell, the highest distinction assigned by the law directory.

CURTIS R. "RANDY" SHARPE JR.

(JD '85) joined Pendleton Pendleton & Deaton PA of Lincolnton, NC, to open a branch office in Denver, NC.

RANDALL D. AVRAM (JD '86) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh. He was selected to the 2007 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* and named as one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in labor and employment law.

CLIFFORD BRITT ('82, JD/MBA '86) is with Comerford & Britt LLP in Winston-Salem. He has been selected to serve on the board of governors and the executive committee of the N.C. Bar Association.

B. SCOTT BURTON ('82, JD '86) joined the corporate practice group of Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP in Atlanta.

J. NICHOLAS "NICK" ELLIS (JD '86) is with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Rocky Mount, NC. He has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in commercial litigation.

BOBBY RAY GORDON (JD '86) is a humanitarian operations advisor at the Center for Excellence in Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assis-

tance in Honolulu, HI. He completed the civil-military coordination staff course conducted by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs in Geneva, Switzerland.

RUSSELL S. PALMER (JD '86) has a private practice in Middletown, CT. He has been reappointed by the governor to the Board of Pardons and Parole. He was named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in DWI defense.

RICHARD Q. LAFFERTY (JD '87) is of counsel with Poyner & Spruill LLP in Charlotte.

GREGG E. MCDUGAL (JD '87) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Raleigh. He was selected as one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in commercial litigation.

C. DOUGLAS MAYNARD JR. (JD '88) is with Maynard & Harris PLLC in Winston-Salem. He has been elected secretary to the board of directors of the litigation section of the N.C. Bar Association and has been reappointed to the education, legislative, and legal affairs committees of the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers.

AMY K. SMITH (JD '88) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" for trusts and estates.

H. ELIZABETH WELLER (JD '88) completed the Walt Disney World Marathon as a fundraiser for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Team in Training.



Gary K. Joyner



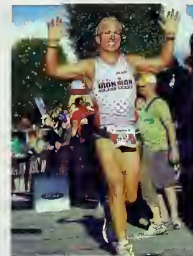
Jill R. Wilson



Stephen R. Berlin



David C. Smith



David D. Daggett



David Lerner



Clifford Britt



Gregg E. McDougal



Laura B. Burt



F. Douglas Banks



J. Gregory "Greg"
Hatcher



R. Bruce Thompson

She received the National Association of Attorney Generals and States Association of Bankruptcy Attorneys Spirit Award. She has been named a capitol partner of Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson LLP in Dallas. They specialize in governmental collections.

SUSANNE "GINE" SACK TODD (JD '86, JD '89) focuses on commercial real estate and related litigation with Johnston Allison & Hord. She and her husband, Mike, and their children, Raleigh, Emily Rose, Meredith, and Ben, live in Charlotte.

CHARLOT F. WOOD (JD '89) is with Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America" in commercial litigation and workers' compensation.

BO DEMPSTER (JD '90) is managing partner of Poyner & Spruill LLP in Raleigh. He is on the board of directors of The Boys & Girls Clubs serving Wake County and has been named one of the "Best Lawyers in America."

LAURA B. BURT (JD '91) is with Gilpin & Hatcher PC in Charlotte. She was recognized as one of *Business North Carolina's* "Legal Elite" in family law.

PAULA L. DURST (JD '91) was named a leading lawyer in environmental law in West Virginia by *Chambers USA*.

CHRISTOPHER NICHOLS (JD '91) is the founding partner of Nichols Law Firm in Raleigh. He edited and co-authored a book, *North Carolina Personal Injury Liens Manual* (LexisNexis), and has a website, www.nctriallawblog.com.

DIANA PALECEK (JD '92) has joined the real estate practice group of Smith Moore LLP in Charlotte.

KIMBERLY C. STEVENS (JD '92) is an assistant capital defender with the N.C. Capital Defender's Office. She is an adjunct professor of law at Wake Forest, teaching trial advocacy and coaching the school's trial team.

PAUL LANCASTER ADAMS (JD '93) was featured by *The Legal Intelligencer* on diversity hiring and retention and by the *Pennsylvania Law Weekly* as a minority "on the verge." He is a partner in the labor and employment, commercial and corporate litigation practice groups of Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads in Philadelphia.

F. DOUGLAS BANKS (JD '93) is with Cozen O'Connor in Charlotte and the co-editor of *Subrogator* magazine. He received the Spirit Award of the National Association of Subrogation Professionals.

WILLIAM E. BURTON III (JD '93) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro. He is one of *Business North Carolina's* "Legal Elite" in environmental law.

J. GREGORY "GREG" HATCHER (JD '93) is a founder and managing partner of Gilpin & Hatcher PC in Charlotte. He was recognized as one of *Business North Carolina's* "Legal Elite" in family law.

BRUCE M. JACOBS (JD '93) was named a leading lawyer in litigation law in West Virginia by *Chambers USA*.

J. WHITFIELD "WHIT" WILKS (JD/MBA '93) has changed careers after ten years with United States Trust Company. He is managing director of Stanford Group Company in Charlotte.

STEVE GARDNER (JD '94) is with Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem. He was selected one of the 2008 "Best Lawyers in America" in intellectual property law.

AMY EIZENMAN GOLD (JD '94) and her husband, **CHARLES GOLD (MBA '94)**, were honored by Fairfax County for their work with the Volunteer Emergency Families for Children. They and their three children, Jake (9), Noa (6), and Eli (2), serve as an emergency foster family for children in crisis.

ERIC W. ISKRA (JD '94) is with Spilman Thomas & Battle PLLC in Charleston, WV. He was named a leading lawyer in labor and employment law by Chambers USA and a "Young Gun" for 2008 by *West Virginia Executive*.

R. BRUCE THOMPSON ('88, JD '94) is a partner in Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Raleigh. He has been elected to serve on the administrative law section council of the N.C. Bar Association.

SHANNON JOSEPH (JD '95) is a litigation partner with Smith Moore LLP in Raleigh. She has been named an administrative law judge by the state of North Carolina.



W. Ross Forbes Jr.



Michael Schenk



Bonita J. Hairston



Todd P. Zerega



Andrea Caro



Emily Meyers Munn

TIMOTHY L. ORR (JD '95) is a partner in the boutique litigation firm of O'Hagan Spencer in Richmond, VA.

W. ROSS FORBES JR. (JD '96) is a partner in the litigation section of Jackson Walker LLP in Dallas. He has been selected for the Leadership Dallas class of 2007-08.

JONATHAN ODOM (JD '96) is in the U.S. Navy and is chief of operational law for multi-national force West/II Marine expeditionary forces. He has been deployed to Camp Fallujah, Iraq.

MICHAEL SCHENK (JD '96) has joined Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte. He focuses on retirement plans, executive compensation arrangements and stock-based compensations.

BILL BARRETT (JD '97) published a book, *iProperty: Profiting from Ideas in an Age of Global Innovation* (Wiley & Sons, December 2007). The book is about managing intellectual property in a global economy. More information can be found at www.gpatents.com/iproperty.

MARK BOYNTON (JD '97) is chair of the litigation section of the N.C. Bar Association. He is a founding member of Pharr & Boynton PLLC in Winston-Salem.

SEAN COLE (JD '97) is a partner with Martin & Jones in Raleigh focusing on catastrophic automobile and trucking collisions. He wrote a chapter, "Automobile and Trucking Complaints," and edited the

second edition of the *North Carolina Manual of Complaints* in conjunction with the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers for LexisNexis.

BONITA J. HAIRSTON ('94, JD '97) is chief of staff in the president's office at the University of North Texas. She has been appointed to the board of trustees at Presbyterian Hospital of Denton, TX.

MICHAEL V. LEE (JD '97) is with Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro. He is one of Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite" in real estate law.

NANCY PRAGER (JD '97) published a perspective on the impact of piracy on independent music, "It's About Piracy, Not Privacy," on News.com. She provides intellectual property and corporate counsel to technology and entertainment clients and maintains a blog at nancy-prager.wordpress.com.

ABDULAZIZ AL-BOSAILY (LLM '98) is a legal director in Islamic finance for DLA Piper Middle East LLP in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

GEORGE W. SISTRUNK III (JD '98) is with Hamilton Gaskins Fay & Moon in Charlotte. He has been named to *Business North Carolina's* "Legal Elite" in their "Young Guns" category.

DOUGLAS W. THIESSEN (JD '98) is general counsel of the Maryland Republican Party. He and his wife, Sarah, and four children live in West River, MD.

GALEN G. CRAUN III (JD '99) is an attorney and director of Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. He has been appointed to a one-year term as treasurer of the business section of the N.C. Bar Association.

MICHAEL HOFFMANN (LLM '99) is developing the legal department for NSP Semiconductors, an independent company, in Hamburg, Germany.

BURNS MALONE WETMORE ('96, JD '99) is a managing prosecutor for Charleston County in Charleston, SC.

SARAH ELIZABETH LITTLE WETMORE ('96, JD '99) practices defense litigation with Carlock Copeland Semler & Stair LLC in Charleston, SC.

TODD P. ZEREGA (JD '99) is in the investment management practice group and has been named a partner at Reed Smith LLP. He and his wife, Megan Lulich Zerega (JD '99), and daughter, Madeline, live in Pittsburgh.

BRIAN C. DOYLE (JD '00) joined Farrell Fritz PC as counsel in Bridgehampton, NY.

MATTHEW KRAUSE (JD '00) is a captain in the U.S. Army stationed in Fort Eustis, VA. He is the senior defense counsel for soldiers facing court-martial for Forts Eustis, Lee, Story, and Monroe.

MEGAN A. LAMMON (JD '00) has been elected to membership of Cozen O'Connor in Charlotte. She is in the firm's subrogation and recovery department.

STEVEN C. MCRAE (JD '00) has his own law firm, Steven C. McRae PA, in Graham, NC.

STEVEN ANTINI (JD '01) is legal counsel for Glenport Inc. in Raleigh.

ANDREA CARO (JD '01) is a shareholder with Zimmerman Kiser & Sutcliffe PA in Orlando, FL. Her area of concentration is civil litigation.

EMILY MEYERS MUNN ('97, JD '01) practices employment defense with Raymond L. Hogge Jr. PLC. She and her husband, **Dan Munn ('94, MS '96, MD '00)**, and their three children live in Norfolk, VA.

HOLLIS M. NICKENS (JD '01) is a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy and a member of the Judge Advocate General's Corps. She is stationed at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD, as an assistant professor of law in the department of leadership, ethics, and law.

LAMONT R. RICHARDSON (JD '01) is a shareholder with Parr Waddoups Brown Gee & Loveless in Salt Lake City. He was named to the "Up and Coming" list for real estate in the *Chambers USA Guide to America's Leading Business Lawyers*.

ALEXANDER ROTH (LLM '01) is a prosecutor in the office of the District Attorney in Coburg, Bavaria.

SHANNON "MISSY" SUMERELL SPAINHOUR (JD '01) is an associate in the employment litigation department of Kennedy Covington Lobdell & Hickman LLP in Charlotte.

ELISE MORGAN WHITLEY (JD '01) received her certification in family law and has been named a partner of Morrow Alexander Porter & Whitley PLLC. She and her husband, Cameron, and son, Milo, live in Winston-Salem.

XINYI "SUNNY" WU (LLM '01, MSA '04) is a senior consultant in tax and business advisory services for the Beijing branch of Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu CP Ltd. in China.

MELISSA JOYAL (JD '02) is with Morris Manning & Martin LLP in Atlanta.

BRETT A. LOFTIS (JD '02) is executive director at the Council for Children's Rights in Charlotte.

AARON OYARCE (LLM '02) is head of the corporate department and academic coordinator of the law school at San Martin University in Peru. He returned to the Wake Forest School of Law for a month as a visiting international researcher on comparative corporate governance. He has been selected to do research with the Italian National Research Council in Peru.

YORIKO SAKAI (LLM '02) is pursuing a second LLM at Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law in New York City. She is participating in a project with LexisNexis Japan, translating the fourth edition of "Understanding Copyright Law" in the *Understanding Series* from English to Japanese.

WIEBKE HOLZAPFEL (LLM '03) is an associate at Cleary Gottlieb in Frankfurt, Germany.

KIM KUKULSKI DOYLE (JD '03) is an associate with Jackson Lewis LLP in Cary, NC, focusing on employment law. She is also a member of the Alaska Bar Association.

PASCAL KREMP (LLM '03) is an associate working in labor and employment law with DLA Piper in Frankfurt, Germany.

TRENNA KAYLE SOWDER (JD '03) is assistant vice president at Fifth Third Bancorp in Cincinnati. She and her husband, William, and their son live in Loveland, OH.

LEIGH COUGHENOUR BAGLEY (JD '04) has joined Bell Davis & Pitt PA in Winston-Salem. She is an associate attorney practicing commercial real estate law.

YOUNG-SOO CHANG (LLM '04) is the manager of the International Service Department of the Korea Securities Depository.

YOUNG JO LIM (LLM '04) is the senior engineer and in-house counsel in the intellectual property strategy office of Samsung Electronics Co. in Korea.

MANUEL MOCTEZUMA (LLM '04) is in the international mergers and acquisitions practice group at Gonzalez Calvillo SC in Mexico.

AUDREY PAGE (JD '04) is an attorney with the Center for Children's Defense, representing children in the juvenile justice system, at the Council for Children's Rights in Charlotte.

SUNG JAE PARK (LLM '04) is a public prosecutor in Korea. The Korean Ministry of Justice is sponsoring him to research international tax evasion at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

SAMUEL CHACON (LLM '05) is with Chacon Quiroz Muniz y Bolio SC in Mexico City, Mexico.

FUSAKO KIRINUKI (LLM '05) earned a second LLM from WIPO/Turin University Law School and completed an internship with Societa Italiana Bre-vetti in Florence, Italy. She returned to Blakemore & Mitsuki in Tokyo.

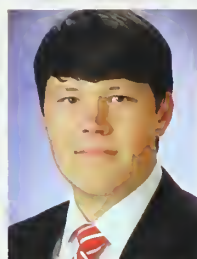
CHRISTOPHER DANIEL LINS (JD '05) is an associate practicing business litigation with MGLAW PLLC in Nashville, TN.

DANIEL MILLARES (LLM '05) is a legal analyst in the Organization of American States' Mission to Support the Peace Process in Colombia.

KAZUYA SHIKI (LLM '05) is manager of the legal office and manager of the internal control office at Mitsui Mining and Smelting Co. in Tokyo.



D.J. O'Brien



J. Neal Robbins

ABDULRAHMAN ALKANHAL (LLM '06), of Saudi Arabia, returned to the legal department of the Court of Cabinets' Presidency after graduation. He has been admitted to the SJD program at Indiana University School of Law, Indianapolis.

CHARLES DOUGLAS BROWN II ('01, JD '06) is an associate practicing commercial real estate lending in the capital markets group of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice PLLC. He and his wife, **Caroline Sheffield Thomas Brown ('03, MD '07)**, live in Winston-Salem.

BILL MORGAN (JD '06) is an associate in the litigation group of Patrick Harper & Dixon LLP in Hickory, NC. He won a Metrolina Theatre Award for Outstanding Performance by a Supporting Actor in the role of Lockwood's slapstick sidekick, Cosmo Brown, in the Hickory Community Theatre production of "Singin' in the Rain."

YUSEF NASRALLAH (LLM '06) is a partner concentrating on corporate and banking law at Shahadeh Law Firm in Ramallah, West Bank.

SACHIYO NISHIE (LLM '06) is completing an internship as a legal advisor at Mintz Levin Cohn Ferris Glovsky & Popeo PC in Boston.

D.J. O'BRIEN (JD '06) has joined Brooks Pierce McLendon Humphrey & Leonard LLP in Greensboro.

MARIYA ORLYK (LLM '06) is an associate of CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz in Kiev, Ukraine.

ANASTASIA BASTIAN (LLM '07) participated in the international lawyer trainee program at Holland & Knight in Jacksonville, FL. She is an associate with Graham Thompson & Co. in Nassau, Bahamas.

LINDA BAUGHER ('03, MSA '04, JD '07) is an associate in the business, tax, and wealth practice groups of Tuggle Duggins & Meschan PA in Greensboro.

ARTHUR L. BROWN (JD '07) is with the business litigation group of Briggs and Morgan in Minneapolis, MN.

CANDACE S. FRIEL (JD '07) has joined Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP in Winston-Salem.

CHEN FAN "FORREST" FU (LLM '07) is a paralegal at Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem.

PATRICK M. KANE (JD '07) is an associate in the litigation practice group of Smith Moore LLP in Greensboro.

SUN KYOUNG KIM (LLM '07) is an intern at Kilpatrick Stockton LLP in Winston-Salem.

VICTOR MANZANO (LLM '07) is a senior associate at Gardere Arena y Asociados SC in Mexico City, Mexico.

STEFANIE L. MOODY (JD '07) has joined Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP in Charlotte.

MIKIO NISHIOKA (LLM '07) is in the legal department of Kyushu Electric Power Co. in Fukuoka, Japan.

HANNE NYHEIM (LLM '07) is a judicial extern with The Honorable Ben F. Tennille in the N.C. Business Court.

J. NEAL ROBBINS (JD/MBA '07) is an associate in banking and finance with Carruthers & Roth PA in Greensboro.

MARRIAGES

LILLIAN HILL PINTO ('80, JD '83) and Robert L. Watson. 10/14/06. They live in Greensboro. Her son, Andrew, is a Wake Forest sophomore.

WILLIAM KIRKPATRICK "KIRK" SANDERS (JD '95) and Ashley Stowe Hayden. 4/28/07 in Winston-Salem.

SEAN COLE (JD '97) and Sharon K. Dow. 1/27/07 in Key West, FL. They live in Raleigh.

CARLOS EDARD JANÉ (JD '97) and Ashley Caroline Kinney. 11/11/06. They live in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included **Scott M. Adams (JD '97)**, **Corey D. Buggs (JD '97)**, **Matthew S. Cheney (JD '97)** and **John T. Earwood ('92, JD/MBA '97)**.

RICHARD STEELE WRIGHT ('93, JD '97) and Kathryn Cameron Walton. 11/3/07 in Charlotte. The wedding party included **J. Craig Whitley (JD '84)**.

ABDULAZIZ AL-BOSAILY (LLM '98) and Hessah Al-Marrzoqi. 6/7/06 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

FREDERIC JOLY (LLM '00) and Justine Welcomme. 10/7/06 in Chartres, France.

HOLLIS M. NICKENS (JD '01) and Kent Simodynes. 5/12/07 in Annapolis, MD.

ALEXANDER ROTH (LLM '01) and Britta. 8/06. They live in Bamberg, Germany.

JONES PHARR BYRD JR. ('99, JD '02) and **AMY DELP (JD '03)**. 9/22/07 in Winston-Salem. The wedding party included **Jones Pharr Byrd Sr. ('68, JD '71)**, **Julia Byrd ('00)**, **Martin Harrell ('99)**, **Daniel Matthew Massey (JD '02)**, **Bryan Shrader ('99)**, **Philip Jefferson Smith Jr. ('99)** and **Samuel Wollman ('99)**.

JOHN ANDERSON FAGG JR. (JD '02) and **SARA ELIZABETH SHIELDS ('01)**. 11/3/07 in Beaufort, NC. They live in Charlotte. The wedding party included **Susan Miles Clapp ('01, JD '04)**, **Katherine Duke ('01)**, **Cameron Miller ('01)**, **Margaret Morrison ('01)**, **Laura Rose Neelon ('02)**, **Brys Stephens (JD/MBA '03)** and **Mary Craig Tennille ('01)**.

BENJAMIN HARVEY WHITE III ('98, MA '98, JD '02) and **Tiffany Noel Mitzman ('97)**. 10/6/07 in Greensboro. They live in Winston-Salem.

ANNE FRITZLER (LLM '03) and Joerg Abel. 3/2/07 in Germany.

PAUL JOSEPH MCNAMARA (JD '03) and Emily Adele Hoagland. 5/19/07 on Grand Cayman Island. They live in Wilmington, NC.

CHRISTOPHER J. MEISTER (JD '03) and **WHITNEY M. SEDWICK (JD '03)**. 6/9/07 in Anchorage, AK. They live in Phoenix.

JUN FURUTA (LLM '05) and **YUNG-CHI TAN (LLM '05)**. 5/13/07 in Sonoma, CA.

HIDEYUKI KOHATA (LLM '05) and Tomoe Yamaga. 9/18/06 in Hiroshima, Japan.

STACY KAY GOMES ('03, JD '06) and **RYAN CHRISTOPHER HURLEY (JD '06)**. 6/17/07 in Providence, RI. The wedding party included **Mathew Flatow (JD '06)** and **Jennifer Thomas (JD '06)**.

ANDREW DALE IRBY (JD '06) and **MEGAN ELIZABETH BENNETT ('06)**. 7/14/07

CHRISTINE MOON (JD '06) and Sean Angeles. 9/1/07. They live in Rockville, MD.

BIRTHS/ADOPTIONS

J. ANTHONY "ANDY" PENRY ('76, JD '79) and Karen Moriarty, Raleigh: a daughter, Ellen Nancy. 6/24/07. She joins her sisters, Carolyn (22), Kathryn (17) and Sarah (1), and her brother, John (4).

STEVEN HALE LEVIN (JD '92) and Jill Levin, Baltimore: a daughter, Julia Shelly. 4/11/07

WILLIAM R. DERASMO (JD '94) and Jennifer Derasmo, Charlotte: a daughter, Isabella Sofia. 11/29/07. She joins her sister, Kelly (6), and brother, William (3).

AARON CHANCE WILKINSON (JD '95) and Nancy Wilkinson, Oxford, NC: a daughter, Emily Grace. 1/14/07

DAVID E. INABINETT ('92, JD '96) and **Elizabeth Hawkins Inabinett ('94)**, Lexington, NC: a son, Walter "Ward" Edward. 8/26/07. He joins his brother, Blake (7), and sister, Kate (2).

MERRILL G. JONES II ('90, JD '97) and Anne P. Jones, Winterville, NC: twins, Thomas Merrill and Ellen Jane. 9/2/06

ROBERT SHELLY NULL (JD '97) and Angela Null, Bloomington, IL: a son, Robert Shelly II. 5/18/07

TRICIA WHITE SISTRUNK (JD '97) and **GEORGE W. SISTRUNK (JD '98)**, Charlotte: a son, Luke Gordon. 1/17/06. He joins his brother, Garrett (3).

TRAVIS HOLMES PERRY (JD '98) and Holly Perry, Fruita, CO: a son, Nathan Holmes. 7/28/07. He joins his brother, Lucas Holmes (3).

KATHLEEN NAGGS BOLTON (JD '99) and **Everett McMillan Bolton ('96)**, Wake Forest, NC: a son, Carter McMillan. 1/18/07

JESSICA PETERSON DEMPSEY ('96, JD '99) and Tyler Dempsey, Atlanta: adopted a son, Trevor Webb. Born 1/15/07 and adopted at birth.

MICHAEL HOFFMANN (LLM '99) and Kristina Hoffmann, Hamburg, Germany: a daughter, Lina Kathe. 4/4/07

BURNS MALONE WETMORE ('96, JD '99) and **SARAH ELIZABETH LITTLE WETMORE ('96, JD '99)**, Folly Beach, SC: a daughter, Brooks Burns. 3/27/07

TIFFANY KAY BENNETT (JD '00) and Andrew Bennett, Atlanta: a daughter, Railey Kate. 4/2/07. She joins her brother, Dalton (4), and sister, Macy (2).

BRIAN F. CORBETT (JD '00) and **Morgan Poteat Corbett ('98)**, Raleigh: a daughter, Louise McNeill. 10/13/07. She joins her brother, Charlie (4), and sister, Essie (2).

STEVEN C. MCRAE (JD '00) and Ann Macon McRae, Graham, NC: a daughter, Flora Haddock. 1/18/07

JENNIFER RADER WINDLEY (JD '00) and Lance Windley, Raleigh: a son, Grayson Thrasher. 5/19/07

REBECCA CODD BAKER (JD '01) and Trey Baker, Elgin, SC: a daughter, Ella Jennings. 10/19/07

GREG HABEEB ('98, JD '01) and **Christy Brendle Habeeb ('00)**, Roanoke, VA: a son, William David. 2/22/07. He joins his brother, Daniel (2).

JAY HEMPHILL (JD '01) and **MELINDA SEAMANS HEMPHILL (JD '02)**, Pittsboro, NC: a son, Hayes Randolph. 6/17/06

KLEMENS KEFERBOECK (LLM '01)

and Anna Keferboeck, Vienna, Austria: a daughter, Lili. 2/16/07

XINYI "SUNNY" WU (LLM '01, MSA '04) and Jordan Duan, Beijing, China: a son, Yu'fan. 7/23/07

CHRISTOPHER F. BRISLIN (JD '02) and Maggie Brislin, Charlotte: a daughter, Wren Alexandra. 12/6/06

E. BRADLEY EVANS ('98, JD '02) and **Elizabeth Watson Evans ('99)**, Greenville, NC: a daughter, Clara Elizabeth. 9/13/07. She joins her brother, William Meade (2 1/2).

ARRON MARLOWE-ROGERS ('95, JD '02) and **Heidi Cruz Marlowe-Rogers ('95, MD '99)**, Winston-Salem: a daughter, Maria Adele. 12/22/06. She joins her brother, Xavier David (3).

ERIC C. TROSCH (JD '02) and **ELIZABETH THORNTON TROSCH (JD '02)**, Charlotte: a son, Joseph Theodore. 4/1/07. He joins his brother, Alexander.

BRANDON A. VAN BALEN (JD '02) and Julie Van Balen, Atlanta: a daughter, Aubrey Elizabeth. 7/28/07

ANNE FRITZLER ABEL (LLM '03) and Joerg Abel, Blaustein, Germany: a daughter, Hannah Marie. 8/22/07

SU BEOM LEE (LLM '05) and Sunghye Lee, Los Angeles: a son, Jayden.

ILANA MARK (JD '05) and James Box, Gaithersburg, MD: a son, Brayden James. 8/28/07

MICHAEL SNIZEK (JD '05) and Jessica Snizek, Norwell, MA: a daughter, Hayden Mackenzie. 11/27/07

YOUSEF NASRALLAH (LLM '06) and Natalie Nasrallah, Ramallah, West Bank: a son, Anton Yousef. 7/23/07

DEATHS

WILBUR MORTON JOLLY ('37, JD '41), Aug. 18, 2007, Zebulon, NC. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II and continued in the U.S. Army Reserves until 1963. He practiced law beginning in 1945 and retired in 2004 as a senior partner of Jolly Williamson & Williamson in Louisburg, NC. He was inducted into the N.C. Bar Association Lawyer's Hall of Fame in 2002 and was dean of the Franklin County Bar. He represented Franklin County in the N.C. Senate in 1957, 1959, and 1963 and represented the 14th district in the N.C. State House of Representatives in 1980.

NATHAN "NAT" COLE JR. ('47, JD '49), July 21, 2007, Louisburg, NC. He enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve in 1942 and retired from active service as a captain in 1969.

ROBERT B. BROUGHTON (JD '51), June 7, 2007, Raleigh, NC. He was a prominent North Carolina attorney and a past member of the School of Law's Alumni Council and Board of Visitors. The son of N.C. Gov. J. Melville Broughton, he served in the Navy during World War II and graduated from the University of North Carolina before attending law school at Wake Forest. He served briefly as an assistant in the state Attorney General's office and as an assistant district attorney before establishing his own private practice in 1954 with his brother, J. Melville Broughton Jr. In 1981, he was named general counsel (and later secretary) for the N.C. Farm Bureau. He received the Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award, the highest award given by the Farm Bureau, in 1992. After retiring from the Farm Bureau in 1993, he became "of counsel" to the law firm of Williams Mullen Maupin Taylor in Raleigh. His wife, Sumner, survives him. Memorials may be made to the Broughton Law Scholarship, Wake Forest School of Law, P.O. Box 7227, Winston-Salem, NC 27109.

GORDON BENNETT KELLEY ('50, JD '51), July 28, 2007, Raleigh, NC.

He served in the National Guard and practiced law in Raleigh for more than 50 years. The Wake County Bar Association honored him in 2002 for 50 years of service to the profession.

NORMAN ADRIAN WIGGINS ('50, JD '52), Aug. 1, 2007, Buies Creek, NC. He was a former Wake Forest law professor who served as president of Campbell University for 36 years. Wiggins, who died of complications from lymphoma, was 83. He is survived by his wife, Millie Harmon Wiggins ('50). Wiggins was named president of Campbell, a small, private, Baptist-affiliated college, in 1967. Over the next three decades, he oversaw the school's growth into the second largest private university in North Carolina and the second largest Baptist university in the world. Under his leadership, Campbell established professional schools of law, business, education, pharmacy, and divinity, and a trust management program considered one of the best in the nation. Campbell achieved university status in 1979. He was named chancellor after retiring as president in 2003. Wiggins was also a former president of the N.C. Baptist State Convention. The *Biblical Recorder* once named him one of the "Most Influential Baptist Leaders of the Twentieth Century." He was also a nationally acclaimed legal scholar who wrote three books on wills, trusts, and estates. A native of Burlington, NC, Wiggins served in the U.S. Marine Corps in World War II. He later earned an associate of arts degree from what was then Campbell Junior College before graduating from Wake Forest College and law school. He received his master's degree and a doctorate in law at Columbia University School of Law. He joined the Wake Forest law faculty in 1956 and was general counsel from 1964 until 1967 when he was named president of Campbell.

EDWARD J. TENNEY II (JD '53), June 4, 2007, Fort Oglethorpe, TN. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, practiced law in Bellows Falls, VT, and Claremont, NH, and served four terms as a state prosecutor. He was a 50-year member of the N.H. Bar Association and counsel emeritus of Tenney & Tenney. He retired from the U.S. Air Force Reserve in 1960 and served 32 years with the Civil Air Patrol, retiring in 2003.

ROBERT BRUCE WILSON JR. ('47, JD '53), Nov. 2, 2007, Winston-Salem. He served in the Army Medical Corps during World War II. He was an attorney in Winston-Salem. He is survived by his wife, Patty, a brother, William H. Wilson ('47), two sons, Randall and Stephen ('79), a daughter, Kathy, two stepdaughters, nine grandchildren, and several great-grandchildren.

F. COOPER HAMILTON (JD '55), Nov. 30, 2007, Jacksonville, NC. He served in the U.S. Army and attended Duke Medical School before deciding his calling was law. He practiced law from 1960 to 2001.

JACK P. GULLEY (JD '63), Aug. 22, 2007, Raleigh, NC. He practiced law in Raleigh and Wake County for 33 years, retiring in 1996.

DON H. ELKINS (JD '69), Sept. 8, 2007, Hendersonville, NC. He served in the U.S. Air Force, achieving the rank of first lieutenant. He practiced law in Henderson County for more than 35 years, most recently in a partnership with his son.

JOHN PHILLIP SISKIND (JD '76), Nov. 19, 2007, Winston-Salem. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, obtaining the rank of captain and serving in Vietnam. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was director of alternative education for the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County school system. He was on the board of directors of the N.C. Association of Alternative Education, vice president of the O. Buckley Moss

Foundation for Children's Education, and an advisory board member of the Winston-Salem Youth Arts Institute.

JOHN BUNDY YORKE (JD '79), July 17, 2007, Charlotte, NC. He began his law practice with Wardlaw Knox Knox Freeman & Scofield in Charlotte and then served as an officer and general counsel of Worldway Corp. in Cherryville and then Integon Corp. in Winston-Salem. In 1998 he joined Helms Mulliss & Wicker PLLC. He served on the law alumni council at Wake Forest.

SYDNEY HOUSTON "HUGH" HIGH (JD '81), July 19, 2007, Charlottesville, VA. He graduated from Texas Christian University and earned a master's from UNC-Chapel Hill and a Ph.D. from Duke University. He was a visiting assistant professor of economics at Wake Forest from 1977 to 1981. He taught economics and finance at universities overseas, including Boston University (London), the University of the Witwatersrand and the University of Cape Town. He was director of the Centre for Independent Studies in Auckland, New Zealand. He is survived by his wife, Jane Hobson High ('80), daughter, Sean M. High-Smith, and son, Jeffrey R. High.

GREGORY STEPHEN CURKA ('84, JD '87), Oct. 1, 2007, Charlotte, NC. He lived in New Haven, CT, Chatham, NJ, and Raleigh. He practiced law for a number of years in the Charlotte area, eventually operating his own firm.

SCOTT ALLAN PIKE (JD '91), March 11 2007, Lisbon, OH. He was a project manager for McCoy Associates in Alliance and an office manager in Warren.

FRIENDS, FACULTY/STAFF

SYLVESTER PETRO, Nov. 10, 2007, Roswell, GA. He was a professor of labor law at the School of Law in the 1970s and director of the Wake Forest Institute of Law and Policy Analysis. The son of immigrants, he received a bachelor of arts and a doctorate of law degree from the University of Chicago. He continued his studies in law at the University of Michigan. He taught labor law and other subjects at New York University Law School from 1950 until joining the Wake Forest law faculty in 1973. He was the author of many scholarly articles and law reviews and several books, including *The Labor Policy of the Free Society*, *The Kohler Strike*, and *The Kingsport Press Strike*. He is survived by two sons, David Samuel and Samuel Louis, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

WALTER WRAY BAKER JR., March 4, 2007, High Point, NC. He was an attorney in High Point and an adjunct professor of trial advocacy at the School of Law from 1998-2005. He received his undergraduate and law degree from UNC-Chapel Hill. He was president of the Western N.C. American Board of Trial Attorneys Chapter and a past president of the N.C. Academy of Trial Lawyers and the High Point Bar Association. He is survived by his wife, Jane; a son, Walter W. "Trip" Baker III (JD '03); and two daughters, Susan and Valerie.

GIVING BRIEFS

ESTATE GIFT CREATES MAJOR LAW SCHOLARSHIP

THANKS TO THE GENEROUS ESTATE GIFT of a physician in Goldsboro, the Wake Forest School of Law has established one of the largest scholarships in its history. The late Dr. Ralph Wingate Bland ('48, MD '52), gave more than \$7 million to be divided between the law and medical schools. The law school will create the David H. Bland and W. Powell Bland Law Scholarship. The School of Medicine will create the Ralph W. Bland, M.D. Fund for a full-tuition scholarship program.

The Bland estate gift represents a significant new scholarship for the School of Law. The David H. Bland and W. Powell Bland Law Scholarship will provide critically needed financial support for law students. The scholarship was named for the late physician's father, David H. Bland, a 1904 Wake Forest college graduate, and his brother, W. Powell Bland, a 1940 college graduate and a 1948 School of Law graduate. Both are deceased.

Mrs. W. Powell Bland and her son, Will Bland and his wife, Ellen, all of Goldsboro, were recognized at President's Weekend as representatives of the Ralph W. Bland family.

"Because of the unavoidable expense associated with a legal education, scholarships have become essential elements in the quest to build a talented but diverse student body," said School of Law Dean Blake D. Morant. "The generous gift provided by the Bland estate ensures that gifted students will have the benefit of the unique, student-centered education for which the



(l-r): Will Bland, the nephew of Dr. Ralph W. Bland, Mrs. W. Powell Bland, sister-in-law, and Will's wife, Ellen, were all recognized at President's Weekend in honor of Dr. Ralph W. Bland's gift to Wake Forest.

Wake Forest University School of Law is known. I and others in the Wake Forest community are sincerely grateful for this path-breaking investment in the lives of our students."

Bland, who died in 2006, received a Bachelor of Science degree at Wake Forest in 1948 and a Doctor of Medicine degree in 1952. He completed an internship and general and plastic surgical residency at Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia. He was certified with the American Board of Surgery and the American Board of Thoracic Surgery.

New Million Dollar Donors Recognized

LAW SCHOOL DONORS whose total contributions reached \$1 million during the past fiscal year were recently recognized by the University. Russ Twiford (JD '52), the Donald and Elizabeth Cooke Foundation and the late Dr. Ralph W. Bland will all have their names added to the Million Dollar Donor wall in Reynolda Hall.



Russ and Rosabelle Twiford pose in front of the Million Dollar Wall in Reynolda Hall. Their names were recently added to recognize their cumulative gifts to the law school.



Sandy Greene Patterson ('74, JD '77) is thanked by Dean Blake Morant for her role as President of the Donald and Elizabeth Cooke Foundation. The Foundation has funded both the John William Griggs and the Donald and Elizabeth Cooke Scholarship in the School of Law.

Cliff Britt ('82, JD/MBA '86) Named Firm Rep Chairman

CLIFF BRITT, A PARTNER WITH COMERFORD AND BRITT, LLP in Winston-Salem, has been named chair for the 2007-08 fiscal year. Cliff completed his undergraduate work at Wake Forest University before entering the law school and was admitted to the North Carolina Bar in 1986. His practice is focused on medical malpractice, wrongful death, and personal injury.

The Firm Rep Program is a fund-raising campaign that supports the Law Fund and generates alumni participation. The program is open to any firm where three or more Wake Forest law alumni are employed. Firms achieving 100% participa-



Cliff Britt ('82, JD/MBA '86)

tion are recognized at the Annual Partners' Banquet in the fall and are listed prominently in the *Jurist*, the Donor Report, and the Firm Rep Booklet, which is given to everyone who attends the Partners' Banquet. If your firm qualifies for the Firm Rep Program and would like to participate, please contact Jennifer Hudson, Assistant Director of Development and Alumni Relations, at (336) 758-5884 or hudsonjs@wfu.edu.

FIRM REP PROGRAM

HUNDREDS OF ALUMNI MADE GIFTS to the law school in 2006-2007 thanks to the efforts of their Wake Forest Firm Representative. The School of Law recognizes and thanks the following 45 firm representatives and their law firms for leading the effort to increase participation in the Law Fund from all Wake Forest law graduates in their offices. The Firm Rep Program is open to any firm where three or more Wake Forest alumni are employed.

We would especially like to recognize the Firm Representatives whose hard work lead to 100% participation in giving to the Law Fund during the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

REG COMBS '76, JD '78 – Blanco Tackabery Combs Maramoros, PA
FORREST CAMPBELL, JR., JD '90 – Brooks Pierce McLendon
Humphrey & Leonard, LLP

HOWARD BORUM JD '80 – Carruthers Roth, PA

DORIAN GUNTER '75, JD '79 – Casstevens Hanner Gunter Riopel
& Wofford, PA

CLIFF BRITT '82, JD/MBA '86 – Comerford & Britt, LLP

CHIP HAGAN JD '77 – Hagan Davis Mangum Barrett Langley Hale
PLLC

HEATHER RABER JD '02 – Hedrick Gardner Kincheloe & Garofalo,
LLP

DAVID FRICKE, JD '86 – Hunton & Williams

PAUL KOHUT, JD '83 – Johnson Allison & Hord, PA

CAROL VAN BUREN, '88, JD '91 – Kennedy Covington, Charlotte
office

STANFORD BAIRD, JD '95 – Kennedy Covington, Raleigh office

KATIE BOSKEN, JD '06 – Kilpatrick Stockton, Winston-Salem office

J. REID MCGRAW, JD '89 – Mullen Holland & Cooper

DAVID SENTER, SR., '81, JD '84 – Nexsen Pruet Adams Kleemeier

R. BRUCE THOMPSON, '88 JD '94 – Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein,
Raleigh office

KIM SHIPLEY, JD '04 – Pinto Coates Kyre & Brown PLLC

STEVE ENSOR, JD '85 – Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta office

CHRIS GEGG, JD '02 – Alston & Bird LLP, Charlotte office

MATT ARUNDALE, JD '04 – Bell Davis & Pitt

SUSAN RYAN, JD '05 – Craigie Brawley Liipfert Walker LLP

COLLINS BARWICK, '83, JD '88 – Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP

LANDIS WADE, JD '83 – Helms Mulliss & Wicker PLLC

BOB MCCLELLAN, JD '78 – Ivey McClellan Gattton Talcott

CHRIS MATTON, JD '94 – Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Raleigh office

MARK THOMAS, '75, JD '78 – Maupin Taylor PA

SUSAN DION, JD '01 – McGuire Woods LLP, Charlotte office

JEFF STARLING, '96, JD '03 – McGuire Woods LLP, Richmond office

JOE FERNANDEZ, JD '97 – Moore & Van Allen PLLC

KURT LINDQUIST, JD '83 – Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP

GRANT WHITNEY, '76, JD '79 – Parker Poe & Adams et al. LLP,
Charlotte office

BARDIN SIMMONS, JD '03 – Poyner & Spruill LLP, Raleigh office

BOB LAWNING, JD '73 – Robinson & Lawing

JOHN MADDEN, JD '83 – Smith Anderson Blount et al.

JACOB WELLMAN, JD '02 – Teague Campbell Dennis & Gorham

BRAD EVANS, '98, JD '02 – Ward & Smith PA

TIM BARBER, JD '85 – Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, Charlotte
office

ROB FIELDS, JD '84 – Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice LLC,
Raleigh office

JIM PHILLIPS, '74, JD '77 – Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice LLC,
Winston-Salem office

KEMP SHERRON, JD '84 – Wyrick Robbins Yates & Ponton

MATT GRAY, JD '03 – Young Moore & Henderson

LOCAL ALUMNI GREET DEAN MORANT AT BRIDGER FIELD HOUSE

TO LAUNCH THE BEGINNING of Blake Morant's tenure as law school dean, local Triad law alumni gathered at Bridger Field House in August for a reception. More than 90 alumni attended the event.



(l-r.) Mark Conger (JD/MBA '91), Susan Conger, and Judy Lambeth (JD '77), enjoy seeing old friends at the reception for Dean Morant in August. Members of the Board of Visitors sponsored the event for all Winston-Salem area law alumni.

WFU Reception at N.C. Bar Association Welcomes New Dean

NEARLY 100 WAKE FOREST ALUMNI met the newly appointed law school dean, Blake Morant, at the annual WFU law school reception at the N.C. Bar Association Annual Meeting. Dean Emeritus Bob Walsh introduced the new dean to the alumni. The reception was held at the Grove Park Inn in Asheville last June.



(l-r.) Fred J. Smith, Jr. ('64, JD '66), Dean Blake Morant, Dean Emeritus Walsh, and former N.C. Chief Justice I. Beverly Lake, Jr. ('55, JD '60) share a Wake Forest moment.

Philadelphia Law Alumni Gather at the Vesper Club

ALUMNI FROM THE PHILADELPHIA area met at the Vesper Club on June 5, 2007 for a reception with Dean Bob Walsh. The event was hosted by **Curt P. Cheyney (JD '68)**, **Dan A. Monaco (JD '81)** and **Barbara L. Young ('84, JD '87)**.



Back row from left to right: Philadelphia alumni at the event include (l-r) Ed Morton (JD '99), Sharon Zieg (JD '00), Lee Balefsky (JD '77), Nick Staffieri (JD '74), Bob Walsh, and Dan Monaco (JD '81); Front row from left to right: Karen Marston (JD '98), Michael DeGrande (JD '06), Melanie Nutt, Director of Law School Admissions and Financial Aid, Barbara Young ('84, JD '87)

N.C. Defense Attorneys Convention Brings WFU Alumni Together

AS PART OF THE ANNUAL MEETING of the N.C. Defense Attorneys, WFU law alumni gathered for a breakfast meeting in Hilton Head in July. More than 30 alumni from across the state joined the group.



Alumni who sponsored the breakfast event pose with Bob Walsh. (l-r:) Clark Smith ('72, JD '75), Richard Bennett ('68, JD '74), Ken Kyre (JD '77), Dean Emeritus Walsh, Nick Ellis (JD '86), (front row) Steve Coles ('77, JD '80), and Mel Garofalo (JD '78)

Charlotte Area Alumni Gather at Museum

MORE THAN 80 CHARLOTTE AREA law school alumni met Dean Blake Morant at a reception on December 4. The event was held at the Levine Museum of the New South and was sponsored by **Robert G. Brinkley (JD '81), Deborah L. Edwards (JD/MBA '88), Henry A. Harkey (JD '75), Max E. Justice (JD '70), Dickson M. Lupo (JD '85), Larry E. Price (JD '72),** and the Intellectual Property Section of Kennedy Covington LLP.



(l-r:) Max Justice (JD '70), Michael Anthony Tobin (JD '97), Dean Blake Morant, Karl Sawyer (JD '77), and Henry Harkey (JD '75) exchange greetings at the Charlotte law alumni reception.

Atlanta Alumni Welcome Dean Morant

DEAN BLAKE MORANT was warmly welcomed to Atlanta by law school alumni in August. Hosted by Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Dean Morant was introduced by **David Zacks ('64, JD '67)** who organized the event.



(l-r:) LeRoya Chester Jennings (JD '04), Karen Neely (JD '05), David Cole (JD '05), Dean Morant, Valeria Cometto (JD '07), Jessica Cohan (JD '06) pose at the Atlanta law alumni reception.



(l-r:) David Zacks ('64, JD'67) greets Melanie Nutt, Director of Law School Admissions and Financial Aid, at the law alumni event in Atlanta.

2007 Partners' Banquet Salutes Law Alumni Donors

ON SEPTEMBER 28, the 35th Annual Partners' Banquet recognized donors for new endowments and special projects as well as those who made gifts of \$500 or more for the Law Fund during the 2006 fiscal year. Sponsored by Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC, the banquet was attended by more than 120 alumni, faculty, and guests.

Keynote speaker Wyatt Andrews, a CBS Evening News correspondent, was introduced by Dean Blake Morant.

New law school endowments created during the past year were recognized. The new funds include the following:

THE BOB AND KATHIE WALSH SCHOLARSHIP – created by gifts from over 200 alumni, faculty, and friends in honor of the former dean who served the law school for 18 years;

THE DAVID H. BLAND AND W. POWELL BLAND SCHOLARSHIP – created by an estate gift from Dr. Ralph Bland of Goldsboro in honor of his father and brother;

THE DONALD L. SMITH/MANILA G. SHAVER SCHOLARSHIP – a scholarship created by the settlement of a class-action lawsuit which provided scholarship support to all law schools in North Carolina;

THE I. BOYCE COVINGTON SCHOLARSHIP – created by a group of alumni led by **Charles Trefzger (JD '84)** in honor of their mentor and law professor I. Boyce Covington;



(l-r:) The law firm of Womble Carlyle were sponsors for the 35th Annual Partners' Banquet. Representing the sponsors were Murray Greason ('59, JD '62), Joan Greason, Cal Adams ('78, JD '81), and Mary Nell Craven (JD '96).

THE JAMES R. VAN CAMP SCHOLARSHIP – an estate planning gift from alumnus **Jim Van Camp (JD '65)** from Pinehurst;

THE LARRY AND CARROLL SITTON SCHOLARSHIP – created by our Board of Visitors chair and '64 law school alumnus **Larry Sitton** and his wife Carroll to help deserving young students attend WFU law school.



New scholarship endowment donors were announced at the Partners' Banquet including the I. Boyce Covington Law Scholarship established by a group of alumni led by law alumnus, Charles Trefzger. (l-r:) Marie Covington, Charles Trefzger (JD '84), "Butch" Covington, Eleanor Trefzger (1L Student), and Francisco Morales.



(l-r:) Dean Blake Morant introduced guest speaker Wyatt Andrews at the Partners' Banquet. Andrews is a reporter for the CBS Evening News.



(l-r:) Woody Teague (JD '34) and Julia Brent Teague enjoy visiting with professor emeritus Jim Sizemore (JD '52) at the Partners' Banquet.

LAW SCHOOL HOSTS ALUMNI DURING CONFERENCE IN NYC

NEW YORK CITY ALUMNI were able to reconnect with faculty and administrators attending the AALS Conference in Manhattan in early January. Dean Morant and his wife, PJ, greeted the alumni and discussed future plans for the law school. About 20 alumni attended the event and expressed enthusiasm for creating a more formalized alumni group for the New York area.



Dean Blake Morant, Alex Saffi (JD '06), Eric Boden (JD '06), and Chris Service (JD '06).



Amy Wright, Exec. Associate Dean Ron Wright, and Professors Kami Simmons and Omari Simmons greet alumni in New York.



In June, N.C. District Court judges Michael Sabiston (JD'82) and Thomas Newbern (JD'82) and Professor Emeritus "Butch" Covington completed the Coast to Coast Walk. Well known in England, the walk begins in the village of St. Bees, located on the Irish Sea on the west coast of England, and ends in the small town of Robin Hood's Bay, located on the North Sea on England's east coast. The threesome walked over 200 miles in 13 days, much of it in wind and rain.

Law Alumnus Receives WFU's Highest Award

MURRAY GREASON ('59, JD'62) received the Wake Forest University Medallion of Merit at Founders' Day Convocation on February 7 in Wait Chapel. The Medallion of Merit is the highest honor given by Wake Forest and is presented annually for outstanding achievement and distinguished contributions to the University. Previous recipients include presidents of the University, trustees, benefactors, and retired faculty and administrators.

Prior to receiving the Medallion of Merit, Murray Greason was awarded the Carroll W. Weathers Award from the School of Law in 2005. In addition, his extensive involvement with Wake Forest University includes membership on its Board of Trustees, 1991-95 and 1996-present, Vice-Chairman, 1997-2002 and 2005-present; Chairman 2003-05; Law School Board of



Visitors of the Wake Forest University 1983-98 and 2001-06; Chairman, 1994-98, (Vice Chairman, 1997); Distinguished Alumni Award 1994; Board of Directors, Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center (Wake Forest University School of Medicine and The North Carolina Baptist Hospitals, Inc.), 1993-95 and 1999-2003; Board of Direc-

tors, Wake Forest University Health Sciences, 2002-present; Board of Directors, Wake Forest College Birthplace Society, Inc., 2001-present.

In the community, Murray Greason has been in leadership roles on a variety of nonprofit organizations, including Chairman of the United Way General Campaign in 1994 and Chairman of the United Way Board of Directors 1995-96.

HORACE KORNEGAY ('47, JD '49) Embodying Wake Forest's Ethics



SAY THE WORDS “WAKE FOREST” in front of Horace Kornegay ('47, JD '49) and you'll get an advertisement for the best the university has to offer, straight from the heart: “Next to my mother, Wake Forest is the most beloved institution in my life.”

Kornegay spent a recent afternoon reflecting on what he called “a wonderful life” that took a Southern boy from World War II to law school to a career in local, state, and national politics. Despite the notoriety of his career—“Google” his name and you'll get more than 10,000 references—Kornegay really just wants to talk about his beloved wife Annie Ben, who died in 2004, and his children and grandchildren. He wants to talk about the sergeant who made him private first class in the army and the man whose life he saved on a European mountain. He wants to talk about how much he loves North Carolina and how Wake

Forest bent the rules to let him start classes even though the semester had already begun when he came home from the war.

“People have been so nice to me. I couldn't have done quite the little bit I've done if people hadn't helped me so much,” Kornegay said. “When you get as old as I am, you realize that a lot of the things you worried about in your career just didn't matter. It's the people that matter.”

Kornegay, born in Asheville in 1924 and raised in Greensboro, did much more than the modest “little bit” he admits to now. He has, in fact, led a life that embodies Wake Forest's ethic of the true public servant, from World War II Purple Heart recipient to prosecuting attorney to four-term U.S. Congressman to president of the Tobacco Institute of America. Along the path of his illustrious career, Kornegay also found many ways to return to Wake Forest, including serving 17 years on the law school's Board of Visitors, participating in the search committee that hired Dean Emeritus Bob Walsh, and establishing an endowed scholarship in his name at the law school.

“In so many ways, Mr. Kornegay represents the best in Wake Forest,” said James Bullock, vice president for university advancement. “He appreciates progress, yet he reflects our history in wonderful ways. He has been a great alumni volunteer and donor. He's always been ready to jump in and help. Mr. Kornegay is one of those people you just love to be around because he has such a warm, caring way.”

Bob Walsh concurs: “Horace was a powerful committee chairman in Congress, but to me he was a great mentor about the values of Wake Forest. He has an encyclopedic knowledge of Wake Forest, and he is the nicest person.”

Call it nice, call it Southern charm, call it courage: Kornegay is the type to stand up when everyone else is sitting down. He remembers slogging through France and Germany hoisting a 78-pound machine gun on his back with the U.S. Army One Hundredth Infantry Division. “I went through the gates of Hercules over there,” Kornegay recalled. When shrapnel from

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exploding German 88 mm antiaircraft guns tore into his division, he sustained wounds in his left hand and arm. A man next to him wasn’t so lucky; he lost most of his leg. With no medics around, Kornegay used his Eagle Scout training to fashion a tourniquet around the man’s leg and somehow, with the use of only one arm, carried his fellow soldier down a mountain to safety. All this to save the life of a soldier whose name he did not even know.

After returning from the war and completing his undergraduate and law degrees at Wake Forest, Kornegay opened his own law office in Greensboro. “The biggest law firm in Greensboro at the time had six people in it. I just had to go out on my own,” Kornegay said. “I couldn’t even find any office space when I first started. A friend of my dad had this one little room that was so narrow that when I bought my \$50 desk I had to turn sideways to get in and out of the door.”

Kornegay chuckled as he recalled the sign he paid a spelling-challenged painter to make for the door of that first office. It said: H.R. Kornegay, Lawer. When he finally scraped together enough money to get a phone installed in the office, he depended on a seamstress working down the hall to answer it for him. He wasn’t choosy about his cases; he took anything he could get.

“I started trying cases on my own, and a couple of the judges took an interest in me, and I got a few cases, and I liked it. I apparently did pretty well because I sprung some that they thought were guilty,” Kornegay said. “I’d go to Sunday school and somebody would ask how I could defend all those guilty people. I’d say, ‘I don’t take the guilty ones. Any of them I defend are innocent, and they’ve been falsely accused.’”

Kornegay spent two terms as district solicitor for the twelfth district of North Carolina beginning in 1954, and at one point in his career had tried more criminal cases than any other lawyer in the state—15,000. In 1961, he was elected to the first of four terms to the U.S. Congress, representing North Carolina’s sixth congressional district.

“Congress is not quite as grand as a lot of people think it is,” Kornegay said. “Being a prosecuting attorney, as I look back over all the things I’ve done as a lawyer, that was to me the star of my career. In Congress you’re just sitting around listening to people make big speeches. At the end of the day, if you’re prosecuting the docket, you can look back over what you’ve

done and say I did something there that was worthwhile. I think my work as a prosecutor was more significant for the individual citizen.”

Kornegay’s strong desire to impact the citizens of North Carolina led him to take the helm of the now-defunct Tobacco Institute and become the main defender of the beleaguered tobacco industry in the 1970s. “Tobacco was the biggest thing in my district. They were trying to crucify, to mistreat the tobacco people, and they were my clients, my constituents, and I wasn’t going to stand around and do nothing,” Kornegay said. “So I jumped right in that fight. These people were trying to put tobacco out of business. I resented it so I fought them tooth and toenail.

“I always thought it was an anti-Southern movement. I wasn’t fighting for tobacco, I was fighting for North Carolina and Virginia and South Carolina and Georgia.”

Anything that might threaten his beloved state was enough to bring out Kornegay’s fierce pride. “My family, the first people with my name, came from Europe in 1709 to the North Carolina wilderness. This is the only place my people have ever lived,” he said.

Actually, one of his grandchildren was born in Arizona, but not for lack of trying on Kornegay’s part. “My youngest child lived in Arizona for two years with her husband, and two weeks before the baby was due I told my wife I would get a plane reservation for her to come home. I wanted my grandchild born in North Carolina so she wouldn’t be the only Kornegay not born here in 300 years.” Cooler heads prevailed, and the baby was born in Arizona, Kornegay remembered with a smile and a sigh. Now all three children and eight grandchildren are safely sheltered in the proper state.

After 17 years with the Tobacco Institute, Kornegay resumed his law practice in Greensboro with the firm Adams, Kleemeier, Hagan, Hannah and Fouts. He is now retired but still visits his beloved Wake Forest every chance he gets. ☺

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